NOTICE:

SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR CIVIL COURT, PRETORIA (LEVEL 4)

BY DIRECTION OF THE ACTING CHIEF MAGISTRATE PLEASE NOTE:

- 1. THIS DIRECTIVE SHALL BE IN EFFECT DURING THE PERIOD OF THE ALERT LEVEL 4 LOCKDOWN (1 MAY 2020 ONWARDS), UNLESS SUBSEQUENTLY AMENDED.
- 2. DURING THE ABOVE PERIOD, ONLY URGENT MOTION APPLICATIONS AND TRIALS, AND DEBT REVIEW APPLICATIONS, AND APPLICATIONS TO ENDORSE ANY SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT, WILL BE GRANTED A HEARING BY ARRANGEMENT WITH THE RELEVANT CLERK OF THE COURT. ANY SUCH MATTER MUST SPECIFICALLY MOTIVATE WHY IT SHOULD BE HEARD DURING THE PERIOD OF THE LOCKDOWN.
- REQUESTS FOR DEFAULT JUDGMENT ALREADY ENROLLED SHALL BE DEALT WITH INTERNALLY IN CHAMBERS BY DESIGNATED JUDICIAL OFFICERS, WITHOUT ANY FORMAL HEARING OR ATTENDANCE BY LEGAL PRACTITIONERS.
- 4. ALL OTHER MATTERS ALREADY ENROLLED ON ANY AND ALL OF THE CIVIL COURT ROLLS, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO NORMAL TRIALS, MOTIONS, SECTION 65 AND SECTION 74, PRE-TRIALS, INTERPLEADERS, WILL NOT BE HEARD ON THE DESIGNATED DATES BUT MUST BE RE-SCHEDULED WITH THE RESPECTIVE CLERK OF THE COURT AFTER THE LOCKDOWN PERIOD;

PARTIES AND REPRESENTATIVES ARE NOT REQUIRED TO ATTEND COURT ON THE DESIGNATED DATES. ALL MATTERS ENROLLED FOR HEARING DURING THE LOCKDOWN PERIOD ARE HEREBY *IPSO FACTO* REMOVED FROM THE ROLL WITHOUT ANY FORMALITIES BEING REQUIRED FROM OR BY THE PARTIES OR THEIR REPRESENTATIVES. MATTERS ENROLLED FOR HEARING ON DATES AFTER THE LOCKDOWN PERIOD SHALL PROCEED AS NORMAL UNLESS ADVISED OTHERWISE.

- 5. CLERKS OF THE COURT WILL ONLY ISSUE OR ACCEPT ANY DOCUMENT/S RELEVANT TO PENDING URGENT MATTERS AND ANY OTHER MATTERS GRANTED A HEARING DURING THE LOCKDOWN PERIOD, DULY MOTIVATED, AND MATTERS WHERE THERE IS DANGER OF PRESCRIPTION, OR FOR OTHER REASON PROPERLY MOTIVATED;
- 6. CLERKS WILL ONLY BE AVAILABLE FROM AFTER THE LOCKDOWN FOR ALLOCATION OF NEW DATES AND FOR RE-SCHEDULING OF MATTERS.
- 7. EXCEPT AS STATED ABOVE, THERE WILL BE NO FILING OF DOCUMENTS. ALL DOCUMENTS MUST BE RETAINED FOR FILING AFTER LOCKDOWN. MESSENGERS AND OTHERS WILL NOT BE ALLOWED INTO THE BUILDING FOR SUCH PURPOSE.
- 8. FOR ANY ENQUIRY, THE CLERK OF THE COURT MAY BE CONTACTED AT 012 3194359 OR 012 3194039 OR 012 3194352

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