## NOTICE:

## SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR CIVIL DISTRICT COURT, PRETORIA (LEVEL 3)

(in accordance with directives issued by the Minister of Justice on the 2 June 2020, and subject to any further direction which may be given by the Minister, the Chief Justice, Judge President and the courts)

## BY DIRECTION OF THE ACTING CHIEF MAGISTRATE PLEASE NOTE:

- 1. IN RESPECT OF LEVEL 3, THE DIRECTIVE FOR LEVEL 4 WILL CONTINUE TO APPLY EXCEPT FOR THE FOLLOWING AMENDMENTS:
- 2. ISSUING OF ALL COURT PROCESS AND PROCEEDINGS AND FILING OF PAPERS AT THE CLERK OF THE COURT, AND ALLOCATION OF DATES IN THE RESPECTIVE COURT DIARIES, ARE ALLOWED. IN ALLOCATION OF NEW DATES, COGNISANCE MUST BE TAKEN OF THE FACT THAT MATTERS MAY OR MAY NOT BE HEARD ON SUCH NEW DATES DEPENDING ON THE DIRECTIVES PREVAILING AT SUCH TIME.
- 3. URGENT AND EX PARTE MOTION APPLICATIONS, EXTENSION AND POSTPONEMENT ONLY OF RULE NISI MATTERS, AND URGENT TRIALS, 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.
- 4. ALL DEBT REVIEW APPLICATIONS AND ANY COVID-19 RELATED CASES WILL BE GRANTED A HEARING BY ARRANGEMENT WITH THE RESPECTIVE CLERK OF THE COURT.
- 5. REQUESTS FOR DEFAULT JUDGMENT MAY BE LODGED AND ALL SUCH MATTERS SHALL BE DEALT WITH INTERNALLY IN CHAMBERS BY DESIGNATED JUDICIAL OFFICERS, WITHOUT ANY FORMAL HEARING OR ATTENDANCE BY LEGAL PRACTITIONERS, UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.
- 6. ALL OTHER MATTERS ALREADY ENROLLED BEFORE LOCKDOWN ON ANY AND ALL OF THE CIVIL COURT ROLLS, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO 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. PARTIES AND REPRESENTATIVES ARE NOT REQUIRED TO ATTEND COURT ON SUCH DESIGNATED DATES, AND ALL SUCH MATTERS WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE ROLL WITHOUT ANY FORMALITIES BEING REQUIRED FROM OR BY THE PARTIES OR THEIR REPRESENTATIVES. MATTERS WHICH HAVE BEEN ENROLLED FOR HEARING ON DATES AFTER THE LOCKDOWN PERIOD SHALL PROCEED AS NORMAL, UNLESS ADVISED OTHERWISE.

- 7. THE HEARING OF ANY OTHER CIVIL ACTION OR MOTION NOT PROVIDED FOR IN THIS NOTICE IS SUBJECT TO PROPER MOTIVATION BY THE PARTY/IES AND THE PRIOR APPROVAL BY THE SENIOR MAGISTRATE OR JUDICIAL OFFICER DESIGNATED TO DECIDE ON THIS ISSUE.
- 8. FOR ANY ENQUIRY, THE CLERK OF THE COURT MAY BE CONTACTED AT 0.12.3194359 OR 0.12.3194352 (0)%) 1.30 ) 0.8%

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**ACTING CHIEF MAGISTRATE - PRETORIA** 

