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## PRACTICE DIRECTIVE 04 OF 2011 RE: ENROLMENT OF MATTERS STRUCK OFF FROM THE ROLL

- 1. In terms of a Practice Directive of this office dated 17 November 2007, a matter that was previously struck off from the civil trial roll may not be re-enrolled without the written authority issued by this office. In order to obtain the authority for reenrolment of such a matter, practitioners filed affidavits to explain the circumstances around the striking off.
- 2 It appears from the affidavits filed by attorneys with this office and submissions of counsel in court that most matters are struck off from the roll, not because practitioners are in default, but because the Registrar's office fails to remove matters from the roll after proper notices of removal have been served and filed timeously.
- 3. It is accordingly hereby directed that where a matter was struck off from the roll after a notice of removal was filed with the Registrar, it will no longer be necessary for the parties or their legal representatives to file affidavits with this office as a prerequisite for re-enrolment. The Registrar may in such a case enrol the matter in accordance with Rule 7 of the Transvaal Rules, upon production to such a Registrar of a notice of removal which was filed with the Registrar at least two (2) court days before the matter was struck off from the roll.

 Practice Directive referred to in paragraph 1 above, is accordingly amended and varied to the extent set out in this.

Yours faithfully

PM MOJAPELO DEPUTY JUDGE PRESIDENT