

## OFFICE OF THE JUDGE PRESIDENT GAUTENG DIVISION OF THE HIGH COURT OF SOUTH AFRICA

## JUDGE PRESIDENT'S PRACTICE DIRECTIVE

## RE: TREATMENT OF MOTIONS EMANATING FROM INMATES HELD AT CORRECTIONAL CENTRES

- TO: 1. All Correctional Facilities within the Jurisdiction of the Gauteng Division and Gauteng Local Division of the High Court of South Africa
  - The Chief Registrar & Registrars Gauteng Division and Gauteng Local Division of the High Court of South Africa
  - 3. The Offices of the State Attorney, Pretoria and Johannesburg
  - 4. The National Office of the Department of Justice and Correctional Services
  - 5. The Gauteng Provincial Office of the Department of Correctional Services
  - 6. The Gauteng Regional Office of the Department of Justice and Constitutional Development
  - I direct that each Correctional Centre should establish a facility for the certification of inmates' documents and preparation of their court applications. DCS Officials deployed to such facility should familiarize themselves with the duties of a Commissioner of Oaths, especially regarding the administration of the Oath.

2. All such applications for litigation in the High Court must with immediate effect be

delivered to the issuing office of the High Court with jurisdiction over the Correctional

Facility where the inmate is kept at the time of the application. In Gauteng Division

and Gauteng Local Division no such application may be issued without a directive

permitting issuing by the Judge President or Deputy Judge President.

3. Directives regarding the issuing and/or hearing of such motions can be collected from

the relevant issuing office on the court day following 1 clear day after the day the

application is brought.

4. Motions so brought will be heard on a date issued by the Registrar.

5. Matters identified as qualifying to be issued and heard on an urgent basis, will be

heard as directed by the Judge President or Deputy Judge President.

6. No inmate will be requisitioned for motion proceedings unless so directed by the

Judge President or Deputy Judge President.

Yours Sincerely

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Judge President

**Gauteng Division** 

Of the High Court

30th June 2017