

IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS OF HALL AND DAWSON COUNTIES
NORTHEASTERN JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
STATE OF GEORGIA

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SUPERIOR STATE COURT

IN RE: Extension of Judicial Emergency *
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Date: August 11, 2020 *

ORDER EXTENDING JUDICIAL EMERGENCY

On July 15, 2020, the undersigned issued an *Order Declaring Judicial Emergency* for both Hall and Dawson Counties due to the continued threat of transmission of Coronavirus/COVID-19. Today's order determines that the virus continues to pose great risk to public health. Local hospital leaders report that a record number of patients are currently being treated, and Governor Brian P. Kemp has now extended the Public Health State of Emergency through September 10, 2020.

Therefore, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 38-3-61, the Honorable Chief Judge Kathlene F. Gosselin of the Superior Courts of Hall and Dawson Counties DOES HEREBY DECLARE AND EXTEND the current Judicial Emergency in the Northeastern Judicial Circuit. Because this emergency continues to substantially endanger or infringe upon the normal functioning of the judicial system, this declaration affects all courts and clerk's offices in the circuit.

Accordingly, IT IS THE ORDER of the undersigned that all courts, litigants, parties, visitors, and members of the public shall continue to abide by the Safe Operating Guidelines, remote hearing policies, and all other terms previously laid out in the *Order Declaring Judicial Emergency* entered on July 15, 2020.

This Judicial Emergency shall terminate on September 10, 2020, at 11:59 p.m., unless otherwise extended, rescinded, amended, or superseded.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, pursuant to O.C.G.A § 38-3-63, that the Sheriffs of Hall and Dawson Counties shall post this Order on their public notification site and in the courthouses;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the undersigned shall immediately notify and serve Chief Justice Harold D. Melton of the Supreme Court with a copy of this Order, such service to be accomplished via email to Tee Barnes, the Clerk of the Supreme Court of Georgia.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the undersigned shall immediately notify and serve a copy of the order on the judges and clerks of all courts sitting within the jurisdictions affected.

IT IS SO ORDERED this 12th day of August, 2020 at 8:30 o a.m./p.m.



Kathlene F. Gosselin, Chief Judge
Northeastern Judicial Circuit