## IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS OF THE SOUTHERN JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

## STATE OF GEORGIA

IN RE: §

Declaration of Judicial Operations §

Emergency Order §

## ORDER

The undersigned Chief Judge of Superior Courts for the Southern Judicial Circuit of Georgia, acting under the authority of the O.C.G.A. § 38-3-60 et seq., hereby declares a judicial emergency in all the Counties of the Southern Judicial Circuit. This emergency is due to a hurricane expected to affect the circuit on or about October 10, 2018.

The undersigned Chief Judge having consulted with all of the acting Superior Court Judges within the Circuit, all are in agreement that access to the Courthouses of the Circuit is impossible or impractical during this judicial emergency.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED, that all the court business within the Southern Judicial Circuit be closed effective 8:00 A.M. Wednesday, October 10, 2018 and extends through 5:00 P.M. Thursday, October 11, 2018.

For the periods of the judicial emergency cited above for each respective County, the undersigned Chief Judge hereby suspends, tolls, extends or otherwise grants relief from deadlines, times schedules and filing

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requirements as stated in O.C.G.A. § 38-3-62.

The Clerk of the Superior Courts of each County, shall immediately notify the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Georgia and the Clerks of the Georgia Court of Appeals and the Supreme Court of Georgia by sending a copy of this Order by fax transmission. The Clerk of Superior Courts of each county shall provide notice of this Order to all affected parties, counsel, and to the public either by direct announcement or by posting a copy in a place of public view in each Clerk's office. The County Administrator shall post a copy of this Order on the county's website. Should the state of emergency extend beyond the period indicated above, the Court will make a determination of extended dates and times for the conduct of court business.

SO ORDERED, this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_

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HON, HARRY JAY ALTMAN, II CHIEF JUDGE, SUPERIOR COURTS SOUTHERN JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

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All County Administrators