

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF CAMDEN COUNTY

STATE OF GEORGIA

IN RE: Declaration of Judicial
Emergency

Date: May 10, 2024

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ORDER DECLARING JUDICIAL EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the undersigned has closed the Courthouse for the remainder of the day due to a current power outage caused by the severe thunderstorms that passed through Camden County this morning;

THEREFORE, the undersigned Chief Judge of Superior Courts for Camden County, Brunswick Judicial Circuit, does hereby declare the existence of a judicial emergency in this county, pursuant to O.C.G.A. §38-3-60, *et seq.* The nature of this emergency is due to **a power outage at the Courthouse**, which is expected to continue through the evening.

Accordingly, it is hereby **ORDERED** that **Camden County Courthouse, including but not limited to the Superior Court, will be closed for business from 12:00 p.m. through the remainder of the day on May 10, 2024.** The Courthouse, including but not limited to Superior Court, shall reopen on Monday, May 13, 2024, for normal business hours.

The Court hereby suspends, tolls, extends and otherwise grants relief from all deadlines or other time schedules or filing requirements imposed or otherwise applicable statutes, rules, regulations, or court orders, whether in civil or criminal cases or administrative matters, including, but not limited to:

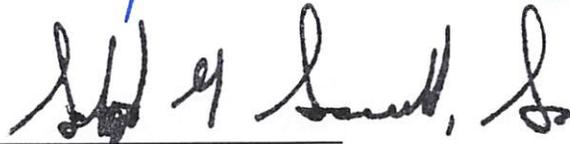
1. A statute of limitations;
2. The time within which to issue a warrant;
3. The time within which to try a case for which a demand for speedy trial has been filed;
4. The time within which to hold a commitment hearing;

5. A deadline or other schedule regarding the detention of a juvenile;
6. The time within which to return a bill of indictment or an accusation or to bring a matter before a grand jury;
7. The time within which to file a writ of habeas corpus;
8. The time within which discovery or any aspect thereof is to be completed;
9. The time within which to serve a party;
10. The time within which to appeal or to seek the right to an appeal an order, ruling or other determination;
11. The time for which hearings must be held in stalking and family violence cases, all *ex parte* relief is continued until next scheduled hearing in said matters; and
12. Such other legal proceedings as may be determined to be necessary.

The relief granted herein **expires at 5:00 p.m. on May 10, 2024**, unless otherwise ordered by the Court. Should the Court be closed due to law enforcement declaration, by order of the sheriff, by the county commission, by power outages, or other unforeseen contingencies, the expiration declared herein shall be extended hereby for the duration of the contingency. Should the judicial emergency extend beyond the closure period indicated above, the Court will make a determination of an available, appropriate facility for the conduct of court business when it is appropriate to do so.

This order shall be served upon the Chief Justice of the Georgia Supreme Court, Chief Judge of the Georgia Court of Appeals and the respective clerks thereof; all judges and clerks of the Brunswick Judicial Circuit; all lawyers and litigants if possible; and the pertinent newspapers in the circuit. All Clerks are ordered to post this order conspicuously in their respective courthouses.

SO ORDERED this 10th day of May, 2024, at 2:00 a.m./(p.m.) in Camden County, Georgia.



STEPHEN G. SCARLETT, SR.
Chief Judge, Superior Courts
Brunswick Judicial Circuit