

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF GREENE COUNTY  
OCMULGEE JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
STATE OF GEORGIA

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**ORDER CONTINUING LOCAL JUDICIAL EMERGENCY FROM  
1:30 P.M. ON JANUARY 21, 2025, THROUGH JANUARY 22, 2025,  
DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER**

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**WHEREAS**, the National Weather Service has announced that a Winter Storm Watch and Winter Weather Advisory for multiple Georgia counties, including Greene, shall be in effect from 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, January 21, 2025, until 7:00 a.m. on Wednesday, January 22, 2025, with impacts to travel expected; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governor of Georgia, Brian Kemp, has declared a statewide State of Emergency in preparation for the expected storm; and

**WHEREAS**, the governing authority of Greene County earlier this day (January 21, 2025) declared that Greene County Administrative Offices, including the Courthouse, shall close at 1:30 p.m. due to the weather and shall remain closed through the end of this business day; and

**WHEREAS**, this Court entered a Judicial Emergency for Greene County Courts on and for January 21, 2025, due to the Courthouse closure; and

**WHEREAS**, the governing authority of Greene County has subsequently declared that the Courthouse, shall continue to be closed on January 22, 2025, due to the winter storm;

**WHEREAS**, the Superior, Juvenile, Magistrate, and Probate Courts (“Greene Courts”) shall be inaccessible, as will the office for the Clerk of Court, during this emergency closure of the Courthouse;

**WHEREAS**, this emergency closure of the Greene County Courthouse substantially endangers or infringes upon the normal functioning of the judicial system, the ability of persons to avail themselves of the judicial system, or the ability of litigants or others to have access to the courts or meet scheduled or time deadlines imposed by the court order or rule, statute of administrative rule or regulation;

**IT IS ORDERED** that, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 38-3-61, the weather-related judicial emergency for Greene County Courts is hereby extended through **Wednesday, January 22, 2025**.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that no alternate facility is reasonably accessible given the nature and limited duration of the emergency; and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 38-3-62(a), all court deadlines and other time schedules and filing requirements imposed by otherwise applicable statutes, rules, regulations, or court orders, including without limitation civil, criminal, and administrative cases, falling on Wednesday, January 22, 2025, are hereby suspended, tolled, or extended until Thursday, January 23, 2025, when Greene County Courts shall reopen; and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that nothing in this Order shall be construed to limit the ability of a Greene Court from setting a remote proceeding (such as by Zoom or Webex), converting a previously scheduled in-person proceeding to a remote proceeding, or conducting a previously scheduled remote proceeding during this judicial emergency, as long as the Court conducting such proceeding complies with the statutes and rules allowing such; and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that the Sheriff or his or her designee shall post a copy of this notice on the Courthouse doors; and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that the Clerk of Court, or his her designees, shall make reasonable attempts to notify parties, counsel for affected parties, and members of the public of this local judicial emergency and to have this Order posted to the county website and social media pages, if available; and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that anyone requiring the Court's involvement with an emergency on January 22, 2025, shall email the Clerk or the particular judge's office.<sup>1</sup>

**SO ORDERED**, at 9:00 p.m., this 21<sup>st</sup> day of January, 2025, at Athens, Georgia.



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ALISON T. BURLESON  
Chief Judge, Superior Court of Greene County  
Ocmulgee Judicial Circuit

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<sup>1</sup> Contact information for the Superior Court Judges may be found at [https://eighthdistrict.org/cir\\_ocmulgee.htm](https://eighthdistrict.org/cir_ocmulgee.htm). Contact information for the Clerk and other courts may be found at <https://www.greencountyga.gov/>.

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF JASPER COUNTY  
OCMULGEE JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
STATE OF GEORGIA

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**ORDER CONTINUING LOCAL JUDICIAL EMERGENCY FROM  
NOON ON JANUARY 21, 2025, THROUGH JANUARY 22, 2025,  
DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER**

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**WHEREAS**, the National Weather Service has announced that a Winter Storm Watch and Winter Weather Advisory for multiple Georgia counties, including Jasper, shall be in effect from 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, January 21, 2025, until 7:00 a.m. on Wednesday, January 22, 2025, with impacts to travel expected; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governor of Georgia, Brian Kemp, has declared a statewide State of Emergency in preparation for the expected storm; and

**WHEREAS**, the governing authority of Jasper County earlier this day declared that the Courthouse shall close at noon on January 21, 2025, due to the weather, and shall remain closed through the end of this business day; and

**WHEREAS**, this Court entered a Judicial Emergency for Jasper County Courts on and for January 21, 2025, due to the Courthouse closure; and

**WHEREAS**, the governing authority of Jasper County later declared that all Non-Public Safety Offices, including the Courthouse, shall continue to be closed on January 22, 2025,<sup>1</sup> due to the storm;

**WHEREAS**, the Superior, Juvenile, Magistrate, and Probate Courts (“Jasper Courts”) shall be inaccessible, as will the office for the Clerk of Court, during this emergency closure of the Courthouse;

**WHEREAS**, this emergency closure of the Jasper County Courthouse substantially endangers or infringes upon the normal functioning of the judicial system, the ability of persons to avail themselves of the judicial system, or the ability of litigants or others to have access to the courts or meet scheduled or time deadlines imposed by the court order or rule, statute of administrative rule or regulation;

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[https://www.facebook.com/jaspercountygeorgia/posts/pfbid02XxaQ6GjZuTZVRjTsZs5jSC2kwjsn6f2gHxZu9jUNSYX4Y9GG3Jfr8p8p6bTAKarl?ref=embed\\_page](https://www.facebook.com/jaspercountygeorgia/posts/pfbid02XxaQ6GjZuTZVRjTsZs5jSC2kwjsn6f2gHxZu9jUNSYX4Y9GG3Jfr8p8p6bTAKarl?ref=embed_page) (viewed January 21, 2025).

**IT IS ORDERED** that, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 38-3-61, the weather-related judicial emergency for Jasper County Courts is hereby extended through **Wednesday, January 22, 2025**.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that no alternate facility is reasonably accessible given the nature and limited duration of the emergency; and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 38-3-62(a), all court deadlines and other time schedules and filing requirements imposed by otherwise applicable statutes, rules, regulations, or court orders, including without limitation civil, criminal, and administrative cases, falling on Wednesday, January 22, 2025, are hereby suspended, tolled, or extended until Thursday, January 23, 2025, when Jasper County Courts shall reopen;<sup>2</sup> and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that nothing in this Order shall be construed to limit the ability of a Jasper Court from setting a remote proceeding (such as by Zoom or Webex), converting a previously scheduled in-person proceeding to a remote proceeding, or conducting a previously scheduled remote proceeding during this judicial emergency, as long as the Court conducting such proceeding complies with the statutes and rules allowing such; and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that the Sheriff or his or her designee shall post a copy of this notice on the Courthouse doors; and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that the Clerk of Court, or his her designees, shall make reasonable attempts to notify parties, counsel for affected parties, and members of the public of this local judicial emergency and to have this Order posted to the county website and social media pages, if available; and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that anyone requiring the Court's involvement with an emergency on January 22, 2025, shall email the Clerk or the particular judge's office.<sup>3</sup>

**SO ORDERED**, at 7:00 p.m., this 21<sup>st</sup> day of January, 2025, at Athens, Georgia.



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ALISON T. BURLESON  
Chief Judge, Superior Court of Jasper County  
Ocmulgee Judicial Circuit

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<sup>2</sup> Assuming that the weather improves enough so that the governing authority can re-open the Courthouse as it considers public safety.

<sup>3</sup> Contact information for the Superior Court Judges may be found at [https://eighthdistrict.org/cir\\_ocmulgee.htm](https://eighthdistrict.org/cir_ocmulgee.htm). Contact information for the Clerk and other courts may be found at <https://www.putnamcountyga.us/>.

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF MORGAN COUNTY  
OCMULGEE JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
STATE OF GEORGIA

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**ORDER DECLARING LOCAL JUDICIAL EMERGENCY FOR  
JANUARY 22, 2025, DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER**

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**WHEREAS**, the National Weather Service has announced that a Winter Storm Watch and Winter Weather Advisory for multiple Georgia counties, including Morgan, shall be in effect from 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, January 21, 2025, until 7:00 a.m. on Wednesday, January 22, 2025, with impacts to travel expected; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governor of Georgia, Brian Kemp, has declared a statewide State of Emergency in preparation for the expected storm;

**WHEREAS**, the governing authority of Morgan County has declared that all County Offices, including the Courthouse, shall be closed on January 22, 2025,<sup>1</sup> due to the winter storm, and that County Offices, including the Courthouse, shall reopen for normal business hours on January 23, 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, the Superior, Juvenile, Magistrate, and Probate Courts (“Morgan Courts”) shall be inaccessible, as will the office for the Clerk of Court, during this emergency closure of the Courthouse;

**WHEREAS**, this emergency closure of the Morgan County Courthouse substantially endangers or infringes upon the normal functioning of the judicial system, the ability of persons to avail themselves of the judicial system, or the ability of litigants or others to have access to the courts or meet scheduled or time deadlines imposed by the court order or rule, statute of administrative rule or regulation;

**IT IS ORDERED** that, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 38-3-61, a weather-related judicial emergency for Morgan County Courts is hereby declared for **Wednesday, January 22, 2025**.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that no alternate facility is reasonably accessible given the nature and limited duration of the emergency; and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 38-3-62(a), all court deadlines and other time schedules and filing requirements imposed by otherwise applicable statutes, rules, regulations, or court orders, including without limitation civil, criminal, and administrative cases,

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<sup>1</sup> <https://www.morgancountyga.gov/CivicAlerts.aspx> (viewed January 21, 2025).

falling on Wednesday, January 22, 2025, are hereby suspended, tolled, or extended until Thursday, January 22, 2025, when Morgan County Courts shall reopen; and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that nothing in this Order shall be construed to limit the ability of a Morgan Court from setting a remote proceeding (such as by Zoom or Webex), converting a previously scheduled in-person proceeding to a remote proceeding, or conducting a previously scheduled remote proceeding during this judicial emergency, as long as the Court conducting such proceeding complies with the statutes and rules allowing such; and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that the Sheriff or his or her designee shall post a copy of this notice on the Courthouse doors; and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that the Clerk of Court, or his her designees, shall make reasonable attempts to notify parties, counsel for affected parties, and members of the public of this local judicial emergency and to have this Order posted to the county website and social media pages, if available; and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that anyone requiring the Court's involvement with an emergency on January 22, 2025, shall email the Clerk or the particular judge's office.<sup>2</sup>

**SO ORDERED**, at 8:30 p.m., this 21<sup>st</sup> day of January, 2025, at Athens, Georgia.



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ALISON T. BURLESON  
Chief Judge, Superior Court of Morgan County  
Ocmulgee Judicial Circuit

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<sup>2</sup> Contact information for the Superior Court Judges may be found at [https://eighthdistrict.org/cir\\_ocmulgee.htm](https://eighthdistrict.org/cir_ocmulgee.htm).  
Contact information for the Clerk and other courts may be found at <https://www.morgancountyga.gov/>.

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF PUTNAM COUNTY  
OCMULGEE JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
STATE OF GEORGIA

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**ORDER CONTINUING LOCAL JUDICIAL EMERGENCY FROM  
NOON ON JANUARY 21, 2025, THROUGH JANUARY 22, 2025,  
DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER**

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**WHEREAS**, the National Weather Service has announced that a Winter Storm Watch and Winter Weather Advisory for multiple Georgia counties, including Putnam, shall be in effect from 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, January 21, 2025, until 7:00 a.m. on Wednesday, January 22, 2025, with impacts to travel expected; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governor of Georgia, Brian Kemp, has declared a statewide State of Emergency in preparation for the expected storm;

**WHEREAS**, an Order Declaring Local Judicial Emergency was entered on January 21, 2025, declaring a Judicial Emergency beginning at noon on January 21, 2025, due to the expected storm;

**WHEREAS**, the governing authority of Putnam County later declared that all Non-Public Safety Offices, including the Courthouse, shall continue to be closed on January 22, 2025,<sup>1</sup> due to the storm, and that the Courthouse shall reopen for normal business hours on January 23, 2025;<sup>2</sup> and

**WHEREAS**, the Superior, State, Juvenile, Magistrate, and Probate Courts (“Putnam Courts”) shall be inaccessible, as will the office for the Clerk of Court, during this emergency closure of the Courthouse;

**WHEREAS**, this emergency closure of the Putnam County Courthouse substantially endangers or infringes upon the normal functioning of the judicial system, the ability of persons to avail themselves of the judicial system, or the ability of litigants or others to have access to the courts or meet scheduled or time deadlines imposed by the court order or rule, statute of administrative rule or regulation;

**IT IS ORDERED** that, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 38-3-61, the weather-related judicial emergency for Putnam County Courts is hereby extended through **Wednesday, January 22, 2025**.

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<sup>1</sup> <https://www.putnamcountyga.us/boc/page/putnam-county-government-offices-will-be-closed-wednesday-january-22-2025%C2%A0-thursday-hours> (viewed January 21, 2025).

<sup>2</sup> As noted in the above announcement, the governing authority will continue to monitor weather conditions to determine if the Courthouse can re-open on January 23, 2025.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that no alternate facility is reasonably accessible given the nature and limited duration of the emergency; and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 38-3-62(a), all court deadlines and other time schedules and filing requirements imposed by otherwise applicable statutes, rules, regulations, or court orders, including without limitation civil, criminal, and administrative cases, falling on Wednesday, January 22, 2025, are hereby suspended, tolled, or extended until Thursday, January 23, 2025, when Putnam County Courts shall reopen;<sup>3</sup> and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that nothing in this Order shall be construed to limit the ability of a Putnam Court from setting a remote proceeding (such as by Zoom or Webex), converting a previously scheduled in-person proceeding to a remote proceeding, or conducting a previously scheduled remote proceeding during this judicial emergency, as long as the Court conducting such proceeding complies with the statutes and rules allowing such; and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that the Sheriff or his or her designee shall post a copy of this notice on the Courthouse doors; and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that the Clerk of Court, or his her designees, shall make reasonable attempts to notify parties, counsel for affected parties, and members of the public of this local judicial emergency and to have this Order posted to the county website and social media pages, if available; and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that anyone requiring the Court's involvement with an emergency on January 22, 2025, shall email the Clerk or the particular judge's office.<sup>4</sup>

**SO ORDERED**, at 7:00 p.m., this 21<sup>st</sup> day of January, 2025, at Athens, Georgia.



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ALISON T. BURLESON  
Chief Judge, Superior Court of Putnam County  
Ocmulgee Judicial Circuit

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<sup>3</sup> See footnote 2 above.

<sup>4</sup> Contact information for the Superior Court Judges may be found at [https://eighthdistrict.org/cir\\_ocmulgee.htm](https://eighthdistrict.org/cir_ocmulgee.htm). Contact information for the Clerk and other courts may be found at <https://www.putnamcountyga.us/>.

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY  
OCMULGEE JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
STATE OF GEORGIA

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**ORDER DECLARING LOCAL JUDICIAL EMERGENCY FOR  
JANUARY 21, 2025, AND JANUARY 22, 2025,  
DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER**

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**WHEREAS**, the National Weather Service has announced that a Winter Storm Watch and Winter Weather Advisory for multiple Georgia counties, including Baldwin, shall be in effect from 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, January 21, 2025, until 7:00 a.m. on Wednesday, January 22, 2025, with impacts to travel expected; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governor of Georgia, Brian Kemp, has declared a statewide State of Emergency in preparation for the expected storm;

**WHEREAS**, the governing authority of Baldwin County, in consultation with the Baldwin Emergency Management Agency, has declared a State of Emergency and, in consultation with the County Manager, that administrative offices, including the Baldwin County Courthouse, shall be closed on January 21, 2025, and January 22, 2025, due to the expected storm; and

**WHEREAS**, the Superior, Juvenile, State,<sup>1</sup> Magistrate,<sup>2</sup> and Probate Courts (“Baldwin Courts”) shall be inaccessible, as will the office for the Clerk of Court, during this emergency closure of the Courthouse;

**WHEREAS**, this emergency closure of the Baldwin County Courthouse substantially endangers or infringes upon the normal functioning of the judicial system, the ability of persons to avail themselves of the judicial system, or the ability of litigants or others to have access to the courts or meet scheduled or time deadlines imposed by the court order or rule, statute of administrative rule or regulation;

**IT IS ORDERED** that, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 38-3-61, a weather-related judicial emergency for Baldwin County Courts is hereby declared for **Tuesday, January 21, 2025**, and **Wednesday, January 22, 2025**.

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<sup>1</sup> State Court, having consulted with the Solicitor, Public Defender, JAG Probation, and the Baldwin County Sheriff’s Office, will conduct a previously scheduled proceeding at the Baldwin County Law Enforcement Center, on January 21, 2025.

<sup>2</sup> Magistrate Court will conduct First Appearance hearings on Wednesday, January 22, 2025, in-person at the Baldwin County Law Enforcement Center, if technical problems prevent them from being conducted remotely.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that no alternate facility is reasonably accessible given the nature and limited duration of the emergency; and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 38-3-62(a), all court deadlines and other time schedules and filing requirements imposed by otherwise applicable statutes, rules, regulations, or court orders, including without limitation civil, criminal, and administrative cases, falling on Tuesday, January 21, 2025, and January 22, 2025, are hereby suspended, tolled, or extended until Thursday, January 23, 2025, when Baldwin County Courts shall reopen; and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that nothing in this Order shall be construed to limit the ability of a Baldwin Court from setting a remote proceeding (such as by Zoom or Webex), converting a previously scheduled in-person proceeding to a remote proceeding, or conducting a previously scheduled remote proceeding during this judicial emergency, as long as the Court conducting such proceeding complies with the statutes and rules allowing such; and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that the Sheriff or his or her designee shall post a copy of this notice on the Courthouse doors; and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that the Clerk of Court, or his her designees, shall make reasonable attempts to notify parties, counsel for affected parties, and members of the public of this local judicial emergency and to have this Order posted to the county website and social media pages, if available; and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that anyone requiring the Court's involvement with an emergency on January 21, 2025, or January 22, 2025, shall email the Clerk or the particular judge's office.<sup>3</sup>

**SO ORDERED**, at 7:00 p.m., this 20<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2025, at Athens, Georgia.



ALISON T. BURLESON  
Chief Judge, Superior Court of Baldwin County  
Ocmulgee Judicial Circuit

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<sup>3</sup> Contact information for the Superior Court Judges may be found at [https://eighthdistrict.org/cir\\_ocmulgee.htm](https://eighthdistrict.org/cir_ocmulgee.htm). Contact information for the Clerk and other courts may be found at <https://www.baldwincountyga.com/courts>.

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF PUTNAM COUNTY  
OCMULGEE JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
STATE OF GEORGIA

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**ORDER DECLARING LOCAL JUDICIAL EMERGENCY FOR  
JANUARY 21, 2025, DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER**

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**WHEREAS**, the National Weather Service has announced that a Winter Storm Watch and Winter Weather Advisory for multiple Georgia counties, including Putnam, shall be in effect from 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, January 21, 2025, until 7:00 a.m. on Wednesday, January 22, 2025, with impacts to travel expected; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governor of Georgia, Brian Kemp, has declared a statewide State of Emergency in preparation for the expected storm;

**WHEREAS**, the governing authority of Putnam County has declared that all Non-Public Safety Offices, including the Courthouse, shall close at noon on January 21, 2025,<sup>1</sup> due to the expected storm, and reopen for normal business hours on January 22, 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, the Superior, Juvenile, Magistrate, and Probate Courts (“Putnam Courts”) shall be inaccessible, as will the office for the Clerk of Court, during this emergency closure of the Courthouse;

**WHEREAS**, this emergency closure of the Putnam County Courthouse substantially endangers or infringes upon the normal functioning of the judicial system, the ability of persons to avail themselves of the judicial system, or the ability of litigants or others to have access to the courts or meet scheduled or time deadlines imposed by the court order or rule, statute of administrative rule or regulation;

**IT IS ORDERED** that, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 38-3-61, a weather-related judicial emergency for Putnam County Courts is hereby declared for **Tuesday, January 21, 2025**.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that no alternate facility is reasonably accessible given the nature and limited duration of the emergency; and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 38-3-62(a), all court deadlines and other time schedules and filing requirements imposed by otherwise applicable statutes, rules, regulations, or court orders, including without limitation civil, criminal, and administrative cases,

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<sup>1</sup> <https://www.putnamcountyga.us/boc/page/putnam-county-government-offices-will-close-noon-tuesday-january-21-2025%2%A0-wednesday-hours> (viewed January 21, 2025).

falling on Tuesday, January 21, 2025, are hereby suspended, tolled, or extended until Wednesday, January 22, 2025, when Putnam County Courts shall reopen; and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that nothing in this Order shall be construed to limit the ability of a Putnam Court from setting a remote proceeding (such as by Zoom or Webex), converting a previously scheduled in-person proceeding to a remote proceeding, or conducting a previously scheduled remote proceeding during this judicial emergency, as long as the Court conducting such proceeding complies with the statutes and rules allowing such; and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that the Sheriff or his or her designee shall post a copy of this notice on the Courthouse doors; and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that the Clerk of Court, or his her designees, shall make reasonable attempts to notify parties, counsel for affected parties, and members of the public of this local judicial emergency and to have this Order posted to the county website and social media pages, if available; and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that anyone requiring the Court's involvement with an emergency on January 21, 2025, shall email the Clerk or the particular judge's office.<sup>2</sup>

**SO ORDERED**, at 10:00 a.m., this 21<sup>st</sup> day of January, 2025, at Athens, Georgia.



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ALISON T. BURLESON  
Chief Judge, Superior Court of Putnam County  
Ocmulgee Judicial Circuit

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<sup>2</sup> Contact information for the Superior Court Judges may be found at [https://eighthdistrict.org/cir\\_ocmulgee.htm](https://eighthdistrict.org/cir_ocmulgee.htm).  
Contact information for the Clerk and other courts may be found at <https://www.putnamcountyga.us/>.

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF WILKINSON COUNTY  
OCMULGEE JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
STATE OF GEORGIA

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**ORDER DECLARING LOCAL JUDICIAL EMERGENCY FOR  
JANUARY 21, 2025, AND JANUARY 22, 2025,  
DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER**

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**WHEREAS**, the National Weather Service has announced that a Winter Storm Watch and Winter Weather Advisory for multiple Georgia counties, including Wilkinson, shall be in effect from 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, January 21, 2025, until 7:00 a.m. on Wednesday, January 22, 2025, with impacts to travel expected; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governor of Georgia, Brian Kemp, has declared a statewide State of Emergency in preparation for the expected storm;

**WHEREAS**, due to the expected storm, the governing authority of Wilkinson County has declared that the Courthouse shall close at noon on January 21, 2025, and shall reopen for normal business hours on January 23, 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, the Superior, Juvenile, Magistrate, and Probate Courts (“Wilkinson Courts”) shall be inaccessible, as will the office for the Clerk of Court, during this emergency closure of the Courthouse;

**WHEREAS**, this emergency closure of the Wilkinson County Courthouse substantially endangers or infringes upon the normal functioning of the judicial system, the ability of persons to avail themselves of the judicial system, or the ability of litigants or others to have access to the courts or meet scheduled or time deadlines imposed by the court order or rule, statute of administrative rule or regulation;

**IT IS ORDERED** that, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 38-3-61, a weather-related judicial emergency for Wilkinson County Courts is hereby declared for **Tuesday, January 21, 2025** and **Wednesday, January 22, 2025**.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that no alternate facility is reasonably accessible given the nature and limited duration of the emergency; and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 38-3-62(a), all court deadlines and other time schedules and filing requirements imposed by otherwise applicable statutes, rules, regulations, or court orders, including without limitation civil, criminal, and administrative cases,

falling on January 21, 2025, or January 22, 2025, are hereby suspended, tolled, or extended until January 23, 2025, when Wilkinson County Courts shall reopen; and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that nothing in this Order shall be construed to limit the ability of a Wilkinson Court from setting a remote proceeding (such as by Zoom or Webex), converting a previously scheduled in-person proceeding to a remote proceeding, or conducting a previously scheduled remote proceeding during this judicial emergency, as long as the Court conducting such proceeding complies with the statutes and rules allowing such; and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that the Sheriff or his or her designee shall post a copy of this notice on the Courthouse doors; and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that the Clerk of Court, or his her designees, shall make reasonable attempts to notify parties, counsel for affected parties, and members of the public of this local judicial emergency and to have this Order posted to the county website and social media pages, if available; and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that anyone requiring the Court's involvement with an emergency on January 21, 2025, or January 22, 2025, shall email the Clerk or the particular judge's office.<sup>1</sup>

**SO ORDERED**, at 11:00 a.m., this 21<sup>st</sup> day of January, 2025, at Athens, Georgia.



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ALISON T. BURLESON  
Chief Judge, Superior Court of Wilkinson County  
Ocmulgee Judicial Circuit

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<sup>1</sup> Contact information for the Superior Court Judges may be found at [https://eighthdistrict.org/cir\\_ocmulgee.htm](https://eighthdistrict.org/cir_ocmulgee.htm). Contact information for the Clerk and other courts may be found at <https://www.wilkinsoncounty.net/>.

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF JASPER COUNTY  
OCMULGEE JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
STATE OF GEORGIA

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**ORDER DECLARING LOCAL JUDICIAL EMERGENCY FOR  
JANUARY 21, 2025, DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER**

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**WHEREAS**, the National Weather Service has announced that a Winter Storm Watch and Winter Weather Advisory for multiple Georgia counties, including Jasper, shall be in effect from 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, January 21, 2025, until 7:00 a.m. on Wednesday, January 22, 2025, with impacts to travel expected; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governor of Georgia, Brian Kemp, has declared a statewide State of Emergency in preparation for the expected storm;

**WHEREAS**, the governing authority of Jasper County has declared that all Non-Public Safety Offices, including the Courthouse, shall close at noon on January 21, 2025,<sup>1</sup> due to the expected storm, and reopen for normal business hours on January 22, 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, the Superior, Juvenile, Magistrate, and Probate Courts (“Jasper Courts”) shall be inaccessible, as will the office for the Clerk of Court, during this emergency closure of the Courthouse;

**WHEREAS**, this emergency closure of the Jasper County Courthouse substantially endangers or infringes upon the normal functioning of the judicial system, the ability of persons to avail themselves of the judicial system, or the ability of litigants or others to have access to the courts or meet scheduled or time deadlines imposed by the court order or rule, statute of administrative rule or regulation;

**IT IS ORDERED** that, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 38-3-61, a weather-related judicial emergency for Jasper County Courts is hereby declared for **Tuesday, January 21, 2025**.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that no alternate facility is reasonably accessible given the nature and limited duration of the emergency; and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 38-3-62(a), all court deadlines and other time schedules and filing requirements imposed by otherwise applicable statutes, rules, regulations, or court orders, including without limitation civil, criminal, and administrative cases,

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<sup>1</sup> <https://jaspercountyga.org/closure/> (viewed January 21, 2025).

falling on Tuesday, January 21, 2025, are hereby suspended, tolled, or extended until Wednesday, January 22, 2025, when Jasper County Courts shall reopen; and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that nothing in this Order shall be construed to limit the ability of a Jasper Court from setting a remote proceeding (such as by Zoom or Webex), converting a previously scheduled in-person proceeding to a remote proceeding, or conducting a previously scheduled remote proceeding during this judicial emergency, as long as the Court conducting such proceeding complies with the statutes and rules allowing such; and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that the Sheriff or his or her designee shall post a copy of this notice on the Courthouse doors; and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that the Clerk of Court, or his her designees, shall make reasonable attempts to notify parties, counsel for affected parties, and members of the public of this local judicial emergency and to have this Order posted to the county website and social media pages, if available; and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that anyone requiring the Court's involvement with an emergency on January 21, 2025, shall email the Clerk or the particular judge's office.<sup>2</sup>

**SO ORDERED**, at 10:00 a.m., this 21<sup>st</sup> day of January, 2025, at Athens, Georgia.



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ALISON T. BURLESON  
Chief Judge, Superior Court of Jasper County  
Ocmulgee Judicial Circuit

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<sup>2</sup> Contact information for the Superior Court Judges may be found at [https://eighthdistrict.org/cir\\_ocmulgee.htm](https://eighthdistrict.org/cir_ocmulgee.htm).  
Contact information for the Clerk and other courts may be found at <https://jaspercountyga.org/>.

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF JONES COUNTY  
OCMULGEE JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
STATE OF GEORGIA

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**ORDER DECLARING LOCAL JUDICIAL EMERGENCY FOR  
JANUARY 21, 2025, AND JANUARY 22, 2025,  
DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER**

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**WHEREAS**, the National Weather Service has announced that a Winter Storm Watch and Winter Weather Advisory for multiple Georgia counties, including Jones, shall be in effect from 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, January 21, 2025, until 7:00 a.m. on Wednesday, January 22, 2025, with impacts to travel expected; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governor of Georgia, Brian Kemp, has declared a statewide State of Emergency in preparation for the expected storm;

**WHEREAS**, due to the expected storm, the governing authority of Jones County has declared that the Courthouse shall close at 2:00 p.m. on January 21, 2025, and shall reopen for normal business hours on January 23, 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, the Superior, Juvenile, Magistrate, and Probate Courts (“Jones Courts”) shall be inaccessible, as will the office for the Clerk of Court, during this emergency closure of the Courthouse;

**WHEREAS**, this emergency closure of the Jones County Courthouse substantially endangers or infringes upon the normal functioning of the judicial system, the ability of persons to avail themselves of the judicial system, or the ability of litigants or others to have access to the courts or meet scheduled or time deadlines imposed by the court order or rule, statute of administrative rule or regulation;

**IT IS ORDERED** that, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 38-3-61, a weather-related judicial emergency for Jones County Courts is hereby declared for **Tuesday, January 21, 2025** and **Wednesday, January 22, 2025**.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that no alternate facility is reasonably accessible given the nature and limited duration of the emergency; and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 38-3-62(a), all court deadlines and other time schedules and filing requirements imposed by otherwise applicable statutes, rules, regulations, or court orders, including without limitation civil, criminal, and administrative cases,

falling on January 21, 2025, or January 22, 2025, are hereby suspended, tolled, or extended until January 23, 2025, when Jones County Courts shall reopen; and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that nothing in this Order shall be construed to limit the ability of a Jones Court from setting a remote proceeding (such as by Zoom or Webex), converting a previously scheduled in-person proceeding to a remote proceeding, or conducting a previously scheduled remote proceeding during this judicial emergency, as long as the Court conducting such proceeding complies with the statutes and rules allowing such; and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that the Sheriff or his or her designee shall post a copy of this notice on the Courthouse doors; and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that the Clerk of Court, or his her designees, shall make reasonable attempts to notify parties, counsel for affected parties, and members of the public of this local judicial emergency and to have this Order posted to the county website and social media pages, if available; and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that anyone requiring the Court's involvement with an emergency on January 21, 2025, or January 22, 2025, shall email the Clerk or the particular judge's office.<sup>1</sup>

**SO ORDERED**, at 12:00 p.m., this 21<sup>st</sup> day of January, 2025, at Athens, Georgia.



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ALISON T. BURLESON  
Chief Judge, Superior Court of Jones County  
Ocmulgee Judicial Circuit

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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF GREENE COUNTY  
OCMULGEE JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
STATE OF GEORGIA

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**ORDER DECLARING LOCAL JUDICIAL EMERGENCY FOR  
JANUARY 21, 2025, DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER**

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**WHEREAS**, the National Weather Service has announced that a Winter Storm Watch and Winter Weather Advisory for multiple Georgia counties, including Greene, shall be in effect from 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, January 21, 2025, until 7:00 a.m. on Wednesday, January 22, 2025, with impacts to travel expected; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governor of Georgia, Brian Kemp, has declared a statewide State of Emergency in preparation for the expected storm;

**WHEREAS**, the governing authority of Greene County has declared that the Courthouse, shall close at 1:30 p.m. on January 21, 2025, due to the expected storm, and reopen for normal business hours on January 22, 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, the Superior, Juvenile, Magistrate, and Probate Courts (“Greene Courts”) shall be inaccessible, as will the office for the Clerk of Court, during this emergency closure of the Courthouse;

**WHEREAS**, this emergency closure of the Greene County Courthouse substantially endangers or infringes upon the normal functioning of the judicial system, the ability of persons to avail themselves of the judicial system, or the ability of litigants or others to have access to the courts or meet scheduled or time deadlines imposed by the court order or rule, statute of administrative rule or regulation;

**IT IS ORDERED** that, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 38-3-61, a weather-related judicial emergency for Greene County Courts is hereby declared for **Tuesday, January 21, 2025**.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that no alternate facility is reasonably accessible given the nature and limited duration of the emergency; and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 38-3-62(a), all court deadlines and other time schedules and filing requirements imposed by otherwise applicable statutes, rules, regulations, or court orders, including without limitation civil, criminal, and administrative cases, falling on Tuesday, January 21, 2025, are hereby suspended, tolled, or extended until Wednesday, January 22, 2025, when Greene County Courts shall reopen; and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that nothing in this Order shall be construed to limit the ability of a Greene Court from setting a remote proceeding (such as by Zoom or Webex), converting a previously scheduled in-person proceeding to a remote proceeding, or conducting a previously scheduled remote proceeding during this judicial emergency, as long as the Court conducting such proceeding complies with the statutes and rules allowing such; and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that the Sheriff or his or her designee shall post a copy of this notice on the Courthouse doors; and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that the Clerk of Court, or his her designees, shall make reasonable attempts to notify parties, counsel for affected parties, and members of the public of this local judicial emergency and to have this Order posted to the county website and social media pages, if available; and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that anyone requiring the Court's involvement with an emergency on January 21, 2025, shall email the Clerk or the particular judge's office.<sup>1</sup>

**SO ORDERED**, at 1:30 p.m., this 21<sup>st</sup> day of January, 2025, at Athens, Georgia.



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ALISON T. BURLESON  
Chief Judge, Superior Court of Greene County  
Ocmulgee Judicial Circuit

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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY  
OCMULGEE JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
STATE OF GEORGIA

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**ORDER DECLARING LOCAL JUDICIAL EMERGENCY FOR  
JANUARY 21, 2025, AND JANUARY 22, 2025,  
DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER**

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**WHEREAS**, the National Weather Service has announced that a Winter Storm Watch and Winter Weather Advisory for multiple Georgia counties, including Hancock, shall be in effect from 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, January 21, 2025, until 7:00 a.m. on Wednesday, January 22, 2025, with impacts to travel expected; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governor of Georgia, Brian Kemp, has declared a statewide State of Emergency in preparation for the expected storm;

**WHEREAS**, the governing authority of Hancock County that the Hancock County Courthouse shall be closed on January 21, 2025, and January 22, 2025, due to the expected storm; and

**WHEREAS**, the Superior, Juvenile, Magistrate, and Probate Courts (“Hancock Courts”) shall be inaccessible, as will the office for the Clerk of Court, during this emergency closure of the Courthouse;

**WHEREAS**, this emergency closure of the Hancock County Courthouse substantially endangers or infringes upon the normal functioning of the judicial system, the ability of persons to avail themselves of the judicial system, or the ability of litigants or others to have access to the courts or meet scheduled or time deadlines imposed by the court order or rule, statute of administrative rule or regulation;

**IT IS ORDERED** that, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 38-3-61, a weather-related judicial emergency for Hancock County Courts is hereby declared for **Tuesday, January 21, 2025**, and **Wednesday, January 22, 2025**.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that no alternate facility is reasonably accessible given the nature and limited duration of the emergency; and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 38-3-62(a), all court deadlines and other time schedules and filing requirements imposed by otherwise applicable statutes, rules, regulations, or court orders, including without limitation civil, criminal, and administrative cases,

falling on Tuesday, January 21, 2025, and January 22, 2025, are hereby suspended, tolled, or extended until Thursday, January 23, 2025, when Hancock County Courts shall reopen; and

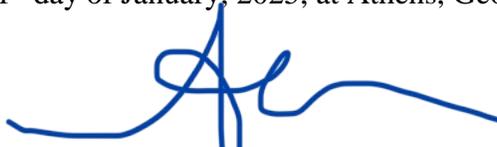
**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that nothing in this Order shall be construed to limit the ability of a Hancock Court from setting a remote proceeding (such as by Zoom or Webex), converting a previously scheduled in-person proceeding to a remote proceeding, or conducting a previously scheduled remote proceeding during this judicial emergency, as long as the Court conducting such proceeding complies with the statutes and rules allowing such; and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that the Sheriff or his or her designee shall post a copy of this notice on the Courthouse doors; and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that the Clerk of Court, or his her designees, shall make reasonable attempts to notify parties, counsel for affected parties, and members of the public of this local judicial emergency and to have this Order posted to the county website and social media pages, if available; and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that anyone requiring the Court's involvement with an emergency on January 21, 2025, or January 22, 2025, shall email the Clerk or the particular judge's office.<sup>1</sup>

**SO ORDERED**, at 4:50 p.m., this 21<sup>st</sup> day of January, 2025, at Athens, Georgia.



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ALISON T. BURLERSON  
Chief Judge, Superior Court of Hancock County  
Ocmulgee Judicial Circuit

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