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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF FLOYD COUNTY, GEORGIA
ROME JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

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J. Neidrach
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STATE OF GEORGIA

TO THE JUDGES AND CLERK OF SUPERIOR COURT
TO THE JUDGE AND CLERK OF MAGISTRATE COURT
TO THE JUDGE AND CLERK OF PROBATE COURT
TO THE JUDGE AND CLERK OF JUVENILE COURT
TO THE FLOYD COUNTY SHERIFF

ORDER CLOSING COURTHOUSE AND
DECLARATION OF JUDICIAL EMERGENCY

The Court has determined that a judicial emergency exists in Floyd County, Georgia in that a Winter Storm Watch, issued by the National Weather Service, is in effect beginning January 23, 2026.

It appears that the emergency will substantially endanger or infringe upon the normal functioning of the judicial system, the ability of persons to avail themselves of the judicial system, and/or the ability of litigants or others to have access to the courts or meet deadlines imposed by court order or rule, statute, or administrative rule or regulation,

Accordingly, pursuant to OCGA § 38-3-61, the Floyd County Courthouse shall be closed on Monday, January 26, 2026 and will reopen on Tuesday, January 27, 2026 unless the emergency is extended by further order of the court; the civil and criminal matters on any calendar shall be continued until further notice.

Pursuant to OCGA § 38-3-62 (a), all court deadlines, other time schedules, or filing requirements imposed by applicable statutes, rules, regulations, or court orders, whether in civil or criminal cases or administrative matters, are hereby suspended, tolled, or extended until January 27, 2026, unless the emergency is extended by further order of the court.

Pursuant to OCGA 38-3-63, the Sheriff or designee shall post a copy of this notice on the courthouse doors; the County Manager or designee shall post a copy of this notice and any subsequent modification or extension on the county website; the Clerk of Court shall provide notice of the closure in the same manner as they would for cancellation of any other court matter; and notice of this order and any extension shall be provided to the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Georgia, to the judges and clerks of all courts sitting within the affected jurisdiction, and on the clerks of the Supreme Court of Georgia and the Court of Appeals of Georgia.

Anyone requiring the Court's involvement in an emergency situation may contact the office of the Chief Judge of Superior Court by calling 706-291-5121, by email to the Court Administrator at davlon.ezell@floydcountyga.org, or by calling the County Sheriff's Office, at 706-291-4111.

SO ORDERED this 23rd day of January, 2026 at 3:04 p.m.



John E. Niedrach
Chief Judge, Superior Court
Rome Judicial Circuit

c: (all by email)
Chief Justice Nels Peterson, Georgia Supreme Court
Tee Barnes, Clerk of Georgia Supreme Court
Christina Cooley, Clerk of Georgia Court of Appeals
Judges and Clerk of all Court set forth above
Dave Roberson, Sheriff of Floyd County
Lynn Ansley, 7th District Court Administrator