

**IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF CLAYTON COUNTY
CLAYTON JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
STATE OF GEORGIA**

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GHANAE D. CLEMONS
CLERK SUPERIOR COURT

IN RE: DECLARATION OF JUDICIAL EMERGENCY (January 26, 2026)

ORDER DECLARING WEATHER-RELATED JUDICIAL EMERGENCY

The undersigned judicial official, acting under authority of O.C.G.A. §38-3-60, et seq., hereby declares the existence of a judicial emergency in the Clayton Judicial Circuit. This judicial emergency is due to inclement weather (i.e., snow, sleet, ice, freezing rain), expected to impact Clayton County, Georgia, on January 26, 2026. This weather is expected to make travel to and from the courthouse extremely hazardous. This weather system substantially endangers or infringes upon the normal functioning of the judicial system and the ability of employees, jurors, litigants, and other persons to have access to the courts or to meet schedules or time deadlines imposed by court order, rule, statute or administrative rule or regulation.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the Clayton County courthouse and all other courts/courthouses within the Clayton County Judicial Circuit, be closed the entire day of Monday, January 26, 2026 and shall reopen on Tuesday, January 27, 2026 during normal business hours.

As this weather emergency will affect the entirety of Clayton County, there is no other reasonably accessible or appropriate facility for the conduct of court business.

For the period of the judicial emergency defined above, the undersigned hereby suspends, tolls, extends, or otherwise grants relief from deadlines, other time schedules, or filing requirements enumerated in O.C.G.A. §38-3-62.

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

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Clerk of the Superior Court, or her designee, shall immediately notify the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court and the Clerks of the Court of Appeals and Supreme Court by sending them a copy of this notice; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, the County Administrator, or his/her designee, shall post a copy of this notice and any subsequent modification or extension in accordance with O.C.G.A. §38-3-63 by posting it on the county website or other appropriate public address system.

The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Georgia will be notified of this action instantaneously by fax or email transmission. The Clerks of the Georgia Court of Appeals and the Supreme Court of Georgia will also be notified by fax or email transmission. The Clerk of Superior Court shall provide notice of this order to

affected parties, to their counsel, and to the public either by direct announcement or by posting a copy in a place of public view in the Clerk's office.

SO ORDERED this 23rd day of January, 2026, at 3:25 p.m.



**ROBERT L. MACK, JR., Chief Judge
Clayton Judicial Circuit**

Original: Clerk of Superior Court

Copies: Judges of the Clayton Superior Court
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Judges of the Clayton Magistrate Court
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