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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF GWINNETT COUNTY
GWINNETT JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
STATE OF GEORGIA

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ORDER DECLARING WEATHER-RELATED JUDICIAL EMERGENCY

The undersigned judicial officer, being the Chief Judge of the Gwinnett Superior Court, acting under authority of O.C.G.A. Sections 38-3-60 *et. seq.*, hereby declares the existence of a judicial emergency in the Gwinnett Judicial Circuit. This emergency is the result of a weather system with snow, ice and power outages which officials deemed as causing dangerous and hazardous road travel conditions. This weather system substantially endangers and infringes upon the normal functioning of the judicial system and impedes the ability of jurors, litigants, witnesses, employees 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.

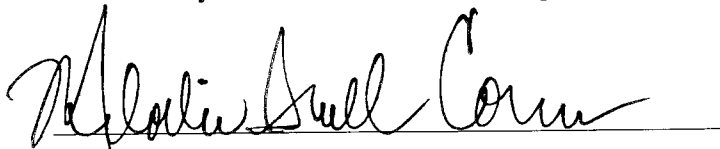
The undersigned judicial officer having consulted with the other judges of all classes of courts in the Gwinnett Judicial Circuit as well as other Constitutional Officers of the Gwinnett Judicial Circuit and all are in concurrence that access to the offices of the Clerks of Court of the Gwinnett Justice and Administration Center and Gwinnett Judicial Annex is impossible or impractical during this judicial emergency, and there is no other reasonably accessible and appropriate place for the conduct of court business.

THEREFORE, this judicial emergency is declared effective 12:01 a.m. on Wednesday, January 17, 2018 and extends through 11:59 p.m. on Wednesday, January 17, 2018 and covers the operation of all classes of courts located in the Gwinnett Justice and Administration Building, Gwinnett Judicial Annex building and Jail Court Annex building.

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

This Order Declaring a Judicial Emergency shall be served upon the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Georgia *instanter* by fax transmission and by mailing same. All Judges and Clerks of Court of the Gwinnett Judicial Circuit, the Clerk of the Georgia Court of Appeals and the Supreme Court of Georgia are also notified and served with a copy of this Order by fax and/or email transmission. The Clerk of Court and Chief Judge for each court affected shall provide notice of this Order to all affected parties, to counsel, and to the public either by direct announcement, posting a copy in a place of public view in each Clerk's office, on the county and court's website, faxing/emailing to the Gwinnett Daily Post, emailing to the Gwinnett Bar Association newsletter.

This 19th day of JANUARY, 2018, nunc pro tunc to JANUARY 17, 2018.



MELODIE SNELL CONNER, Chief Judge
Gwinnett Superior Court