

This recommendation includes not only litigants, but attorneys as well. If anyone is running a fever, coughing or has been exposed to someone that has tested positive for COVID-19 or experiencing the symptoms of COVID-19, he/she should notify the Court prior to the hearing date for further instructions. Also, persons entering the courtroom shall exercise social distancing.

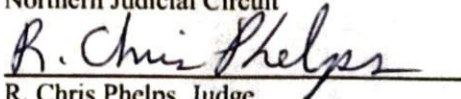
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the undersigned shall notify and serve a copy of this Order on the judges and clerks of all courts sitting within the jurisdictions affected and on the clerks of the Georgia Court of Appeals and the Georgia Supreme Court, such service to be accomplished through reasonable means to assure expeditious receipt; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the undersigned shall give notice of the issuance of this Order to the affected parties, counsel for the affected parties, and the public. Each Sheriff shall post a copy of this Order on the public notification site in their Courthouse.

IT IS SO ORDERED this 24th day of April, 2020 at 12:15 pm. in Hartwell, Hart County, Georgia. This Judicial Emergency Order shall terminate on May 31, 2020, at 11:59 p.m., unless otherwise modified, amended, or extended.

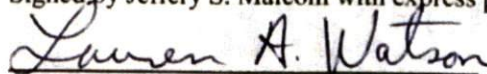


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**Declaration of Judicial Emergency
Northern Judicial Circuit**