EFILED DURING JUDICIAL EMERGENCY
CLAYTON COUNTY, GA
04/13/2020 09:39 am
Jacquline D. Wills
CLERK SUPERIOR COURT

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

IN RE: Extended Declaration of Judicial Emergency
Date(s): April 14, 2020 - May 13, 2020

ORDER EXTENDING CLAYTON JUDICIAL CIRCUIT DECLARATION OF JUDICIAL EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the Honorable Harold D. Melton, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Georgia, has extended the statewide judicial emergency through Wednesday, May 13, 2020, unless otherwise further modified or extended;

WHEREAS, Clayton County Board of Commissioners Chairman, Jeffrey E. Turner, has extended the countywide state of emergency through Wednesday, May 13, 2020, following Governor Brian Kemp's extension of the statewide declaration of emergency; and

WHEREAS, it is acknowledged that a specific judicial emergency was declared which impacted the use of the Harold R. Banke Justice Center during the pendency of the circuit-wide judicial emergency, wherein the employees of the Justice Center remain subject to a Department of Public Health recommended quarantine through 11:59 p.m. on April 19, 2020;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 38-3-61 and due to the continued existence of a judicial emergency in the Clayton Judicial Circuit involving the transmission of Coronavirus/COVID-19 and the potential infection of those who are required to appear in our courts or who would otherwise elect to appear though not required, that the March 18, 2020 Order Declaring Judicial Emergency entered by the undersigned Chief Judge of the Clayton Judicial Circuit set to otherwise expire at 11:59 p.m. on April 13, 2020 is extended through Wednesday, May 13, 2020, unless otherwise further modified or extended.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Sheriff shall post this Order of Judicial Emergency on his public notification site;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Clerk of the Superior Court or her designee shall immediately notify and serve Chief Justice Melton of the Georgia Supreme Court with a copy of this Order, such service to be accomplished via email to Tee Barnes, the Clerk of the Supreme Court of Georgia, at barnest@gasupreme.us;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Clerk of the Superior Court or her designee shall immediately 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;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the County Manager/Chief Operating Officer or his designee shall post a copy of this notice and any subsequent modification or extension on the county website or other appropriate public access system.

BE IT SO ORDERED this 13th day of April, 2020.

Geronda V. Carter, Chief Judge
Clayton County Superior Court
Clayton Judicial Circuit

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