

IN THE MAGISTRATE COURT OF BARROW COUNTY
STATE OF GEORGIA

IN RE: Declaration of Judicial Emergency

Date: July 13, 2020

ORDER DECLARING LOCAL JUDICIAL EMERGENCY

Pursuant to the local authority granted by the Supreme Court of Georgia Judicial Emergency Orders, the following is hereby declared:

Despite the implementation of adherence to designated safety guidelines necessitated in response to COVID-19, at least two of our court employees, including the Chief Magistrate Judge are displaying symptoms of COVID-19 and are awaiting the results of COVID-19 testing. Therefore, the undersigned, after consultation and with the concurrence of the Office the Chief Judge of Superior Court of Barrow County and with the Office of the Board of Commissioners of Barrow County (OCGA Section 36-1-12), has determined that it is no longer feasible to allow the judicial offices of the Magistrate Court of Barrow County to remain open, finding that the public's safety is of utmost concern to this Court. The Court orders a deep cleaning of the offices and courtrooms of the Barrow County Magistrate Court. The Magistrate Court of Barrow County is ordered to close effective immediately.

Any time period for which a deadline occurs during the pendency of this Order is stayed, and upon the termination of this Order, the time period will be resumed with the duration of this Order not included in the counting of days. Remote videoconference hearings may continue to be heard by the Court. All other provisions of all other Judicial Emergency Orders remain in full force and effect.

Service of this **ORDER DECLARING LOCAL JUDICIAL EMERGENCY** shall be made by delivering a copy to the Clerk of Superior Court, the Clerk of Probate Court, the Office of the Sheriff of Barrow County and placed on all entry points to the Magistrate Court of Barrow County.

IT IS SO ORDERED this the 13th day of July, 2020.

Per Electronic Signature by: Caroline Power Evans
The Honorable Caroline Power Evans, Chief Judge
Magistrate Court of Barrow County