

IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS OF THE OCONEE JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
STATE OF GEORGIA

IN RE: EXTENSION OF STATEWIDE JUDICIAL EMERGENCY

ORDER LIFTING LOCAL GUIDELINES

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, Chief Justice Harold Melton of the Georgia Supreme Court issued an Order Declaring Statewide Judicial Emergency on March 14, 2020. The Fifteenth Statewide Judicial Emergency Order expired on June 30, 2021 without extension. Pursuant to the Notice of Expected Termination of Statewide Judicial Emergency on June 30, 2021, the termination of the Statewide Judicial Emergency Order may not affect local operating guidelines.

Based on the termination of the Statewide Judicial Emergency Order and the availability and effectiveness of vaccines, the Oconee Judicial Circuit's Courthouse Safety Guidelines for All Classes of Court is hereby **RESCINDED**.

Judges of the Oconee Judicial Circuit are encouraged to continue using reasonable discretion in granting continuances to immunity-compromised individuals.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Order be distributed to the judges and clerks of court of each class of court in the Oconee Judicial Circuit, published on the Eighth Judicial District website, prominently displayed in each courthouse, and be provided to the Administrative Office of the Courts.

SO ORDERED, this 2 day of July, 2021.



Sarah F. Wall, Chief Judge
Oconee Judicial Circuit