

FILED IN OFFICE

3/18/2022

Theresa A. Bame

SUPREME COURT OF GEORGIA

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF FRANKLIN COUNTY
STATE OF GEORGIA

Filed in the Superior Court
of Franklin County, Georgia,
this 18th day of March, 2022.
Judge, Superior Courts
Northern Judicial Circuit

**ORDER GRANTING RELIEF FROM STATUTORY SPEEDY TRIAL
REQUIREMENTS PURSUANT TO O.C.G.A. § 38-3-62 (b)**

The requirements for filing of a statutory speedy trial demand imposed by O.C.G.A. §§17-7-170 and 17-7-171 were previously reinstated pursuant to the Order Granting Relief from Statutory Speedy Trial Requirements previously filed on September 17, 2021. That Order also tolled the time constraints to bring a case to trial imposed by O.C.G.A. §§ 17-7-170 and 17-7-171. Such tolling is set to expire on March 20, 2022 at 11:59 P.M. However, based upon the certification attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit A, the time constraints to bring a case to trial imposed by O.C.G.A. §§17-7-170 and 17-7-171 will remain tolled in the Superior Court of Franklin County within the Northern Judicial Circuit effective 12:00 A.M. on March 21, 2022, and for the duration of this Order.

Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 38-3-62 (b) (9), an order granting relief from statutory speedy trial requirements following a judicial emergency shall not exceed a total of eight months and shall end on the last day of a term of court, and pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 38-3-62 (b) (13), no such order shall issue after June 30, 2023. Pursuant to the Supreme Court's *Guidance on the Extension of Deadlines and Time Limits Defined by Reference to Terms of Court Under the Chief Justice's Order Declaring Statewide Judicial Emergency*, interrupted terms of court do not count in the calculation of deadlines and time limits for statutory speedy trial demand purposes. This Order shall become effective at the beginning of the March term on the 21st day of March, 2022, at 12:00 A.M., and it shall terminate on the 18th day of September, 2022, at 11:59 P.M., a date that is: (1) not more than eight months from the date it is entered; and (2) the last day of a term of the Superior Court of Franklin County, unless statutory speedy trial requirements are reinstated by the Chief Justice of the Georgia Supreme Court pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 38-3-62 (b) (11). Pursuant to

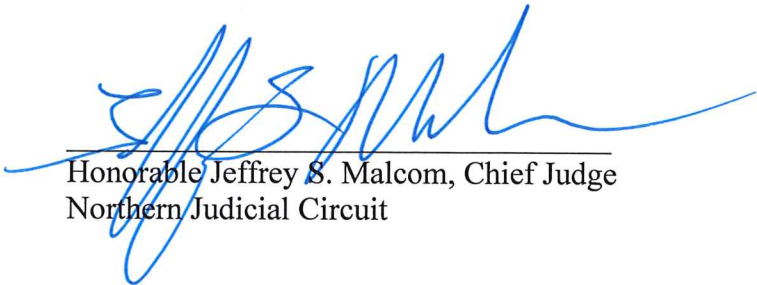
O.C.G.A. § 38-3-62 (b) (12), nothing in this Order shall relieve the State of its constitutional obligation to provide for a speedy and public criminal trial.

It is hereby ORDERED that this Order shall be filed with the clerk of superior court in Franklin County to be filed in the General Docket.

Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 38-3-63 (1)-(2), it is further ORDERED that a copy of this Order be immediately served by e-mail upon the Chief Justice of the Georgia Supreme Court, the judges and clerks of all courts in this county, the clerk of the Georgia Court of Appeals, and the clerk of the Georgia Supreme Court.

Further, it is ORDERED that notice of the issuance of this Order be given to the affected parties, counsel for the affected parties, and the public in a manner that meets the requirements of O.C.G.A. § 38-3-63 (3) and specifically as follows: the following shall be personally served with a copy of this Order via email: The Franklin County Sheriff's Office, who shall post a copy of this Order on the publication notification site at the Courthouse; the Clerk of Superior Court of Franklin County, who shall post a copy of this Order on its website; the Northern Judicial Circuit District Attorney's office; the Northern Judicial Circuit Public Defender's office; and the president of the Northern Judicial Circuit Bar Association, who shall email a copy of this Order to all bar association members.

SO ORDERED this 18 day of March, 2022.



Honorable Jeffrey S. Malcom, Chief Judge
Northern Judicial Circuit