## OGEECHEE JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

## STATE OF GEORGIA

## **STANDING ORDER RE: CASE ASSIGNMENT**

The Ogeechee Judicial Circuit, a multi-county and multi-judge judicial circuit, follows the random case assignment system authorized by and set forth in Uniform Superior Court Rule 3.1. Except as set forth herein, in each County, the Clerk of the Superior Court shall randomly assign all actions, whether civil or criminal, to the judges on a rotating basis to the end that each judge is allocated an equal number of cases.

Accordingly,

## **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AS FOLLOWS:**

In all years, the cases for Bulloch and Effingham Counties shall be evenly distributed among the four judges.

In even-numbered years, all cases for Jenkins and Screven Counties shall be assigned to Chief Judge F. Gates Peed and Judge Ronald K. Thompson as follows: beginning 2024, all cases for Jenkins County shall be assigned to Chief Judge F. Gates Peed and all cases for Screven County shall be assigned to Judge Ronald K. Thompson. Then, in 2026, all cases for Jenkins County shall be assigned to Judge Ronald K. Thompson and all cases for Screven County shall be assigned to Chief Judge F. Gates Peed. Thereafter, Chief Judge F. Gates Peed and Judge Ronald K. Thompson will alternate cases from Jenkins County and Screven County accordingly.

In odd-numbered years, all cases for Jenkins and Screven Counties shall be assigned to Judge Michael T. Muldrew and Judge Lovett Bennett, Jr., as follows: beginning 2025, all cases for Jenkins County shall be assigned to Judge Michael T. Muldrew and all cases for Screven County shall be assigned to Judge Lovett Bennett, Jr. Then, in 2027, all cases for Jenkins County shall be assigned to Judge Lovett Bennett, Jr., and all cases for Screven County shall be assigned to Judge Michael T. Muldrew. Thereafter, Judge Michael T. Muldrew and Judge Lovett Bennett, Jr., will alternate cases from Jenkins County and Screven County accordingly.

SO ORDERED this <u>\*</u> day of <u>Many</u> \_\_\_, 2023.

TES PEED, Chief Judge Ogeechee Judicial Circuit

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