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STANDING ORDER GOVERNING PRESIDING JUDGE SELECTION AND DUTIES

A full-time active Judge, a designated Senior Judge, or a part-time DeKalb County Magistrate will serve as presiding Judge each week of court. Such service will be on a rotating equal basis in numerical order of the divisions of the court. The Presiding Judge will serve from 8:30 a.m. Monday until 8:30 a.m. the following Monday. The Presiding Judge will be available from 8:30 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. and from 1:30 p.m. until 4:30 p.m. every business day during each week of service.

The Presiding Judge (acting in that capacity) is authorized to handle:

- Criminal matters requiring expedited disposition by the superior court prior to indictment or accusation,
- Bond requests in unindicted cases,
- Bond reconsideration requests in unindicted cases when the Judge who heard the bond request previously is unavailable, providing that at least 60 days shall pass after a bond hearing has been held before the matter is to be reheard or reconsidered,
- Certain civil matters requiring expedited hearings,
- Any matter referred to the Presiding Judge due to the absence of the Judge to whom the matter is assigned, and
- Any emergency matter subject to the following provisions: any action requiring emergency determination must first be filed and presented to the assigned Judge if he or she is available. The assigned Judge will deal with the matter, if possible, but may direct the matter to the Presiding Judge if the matter is determined to be a legitimate emergency. Matters are not to be brought to the Presiding Judge without first being instructed to do so by the assigned Judge. If the Presiding Judge determines that the matter does not require expedited and immediate emergency determination, the matter is to be referred back to the assigned Judge.

The Presiding Judge will not set future hearing dates on any cases without the prior approval of the assigned Judge.

Each week the Presiding Judge's division shall have the right to use the senior judge's courtroom for that week. The law clerk for the division which is presiding will be available to assist the Presiding Judge

SO ORDERED this the 14th day of December, 2022.

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ASHA F. JACKSON, Chief Judge DeKalb County Superior Court

Stone Mountain Judicial Circuit