

PRESS RELEASE

Superior Court of Fulton County
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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Local Order issued by Fulton County Superior Court Chief Judge, Christopher S. Brasher to re-impose all deadlines suspended and tolled by the ending of Chief Justice Harold D. Melton's Statewide Judicial Emergency Order

On Wednesday, June 30, 2021 at 11:59 p.m. the Statewide Judicial Emergency Order issued by Chief Justice Harold D. Melton is set to expire. Fulton County Superior Court Chief Judge, Christopher S. Brasher issued a Local Order declaring the existence of a Judicial Emergency in the Atlanta Judicial Circuit. The Local Order takes effect at 12:00 a.m. on Thursday, July 01, 2021 and expires at 11:59 p.m. on Friday, July 30, 2021.

The Local Order takes the following actions:

1. The Court suspends, tolls, extends, and otherwise grants relief from the time deadlines within which to try a case for which a demand for speedy trial has been filed;
2. The Court suspends any deadline regarding the scheduling of adjudication hearings for detained youth;
3. The Court tolls the deadline for application for a renewal of a license pursuant to O.C.G.A. §16-11-129 for the period of this Judicial Emergency Order, and any extension thereto;
4. The Court tolls, suspends, and grants relief from the running of the 90-day period within which to have charges presented to a grand jury, as contemplated by O.C.G.A. §17-7-50, for any person in the custody of the Sheriff of Fulton County as of the date of this Order for the duration of this Order.
5. Finally, public health measures put in place by this Court in its Guidelines for Expanding In-Person Proceedings which were adopted as an Order of this Court on June 12, 2020, shall remain in place during the term of this Order. Such requirements include the mandatory wearing of face coverings by all who enter into Court facilities and the observance of proper social distancing by persons within Court facilities.