



## INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

**TO:** All Senior Judges, Magistrates, Court Reporters, Litigation Managers, Lt. Col. S. Edwards, Major C. Clark, Major S. Kendle

**FROM:** Ms. Arveale Hickson, Superior Court Administrator's Office

**DATE:** February 10, 2026

**SUBJECT:** February 2026 Senior, Visiting, and Magistrate Judges' and Court Reporters' Usage

ATLANTA JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

**NOTE:** ALL (assigned and floating) court reporters have the office hours of 8:30 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. except when the court schedule dictates a different time, or this office is notified.

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### Week of February 9<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup>, 2026

**Judge Charles Eaton, Presiding Judge on 02/09 - 02/13 (JCT/5C)**  
**Magistrate Judge Brandy Brooks, Back-Up Presiding Judge on 02/09 - 02/13 (JCT/1A)**

**Note:** If the Presiding or Back-Up Presiding Judges are unavailable, please contact Arveale Hickson at 470-832-2838 to make arrangements for a back-up Presiding Judge. Please do not send cases to another Judge without contacting Ms. Arveale Hickson. She is responsible for locating an alternate judge.

### Senior, Visiting and Other Judges

#### **Sr. Judge David Emerson (JCT/1D)**

|                               |             |        |                    |
|-------------------------------|-------------|--------|--------------------|
| -Consolidated Criminal Trials | 02/09       | 9:00am | ***Kimesha Smith   |
| -Consolidated Criminal Trials | 02/10       | 9:00am | ***Karen Rivers    |
| -Consolidated Criminal Trials | 02/11-02/12 | 9:00am | ***Shenika Hammond |
| -Consolidated Criminal Trials | 02/13       | 9:00am | ***Reena Cid, ACR  |

#### **Sr. Judge Jerry Baxter (JCT/8A)**

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| -Barwick Criminal Jury Trials | 02/09-02/13 | 9:30am | ***Denise Blackman, Floater |
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#### **Magistrate Court (FCC/8J)**

|                              |             |        |
|------------------------------|-------------|--------|
| -Child Abandonment Calendars | 02/09-02/10 | 9:00am |
| -AMC Warrants-(JCT/1C)       | 02/12       | 9:00am |
| -Child Abandonment Calendars | 02/13       | 9:00am |

#### **Sr. Judge Alford Dempsey Jr. (JCT/1A)**

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|--------------------------------|-------|--------|----------------------------|
| -Consolidated Criminal Motions | 02/11 | 9:30am | ***Edwina Minniefield, ACR |
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**\*\*Takedown by Zoom**

**\*\*\*Takedown in Courtroom**

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## Non-Complex Division Judges

### Mag. Judge Todd Ashley in Pre-Indictments: (JCT/1B)

|                             |       |           |
|-----------------------------|-------|-----------|
| -Preliminary Hearings       | 02/09 | 9:00am    |
| -Prelims/Emer/ SB440        | 02/10 | 9am & 1pm |
| -Prelim & Spec Set Hearings | 02/11 | 9:00am    |
| -Preliminary Hearings       | 02/12 | 9:00am    |
| -Preliminary Hearings       | 02/13 | 9:00am    |

### Court Reporter

\*\*Reed Hicks, ACR  
 \*\*Joyce Gibbons, Per Diem  
 \*\*Nicholas Carroll, ACR  
 \*\*Joan Drammeh, Per Diem  
 \*\*Joyce Gibbons, Per Diem

### NCD Judge Nancy Mau in Non-Complex (NC1): (JCT /1C)

|   |       |               |
|---|-------|---------------|
| -Case Management/ P&A                   | 02/09 | 9:30am & 10am |
| -Final Plea                             | 02/10 | 10:00am       |
| -Final Plea                             | 02/11 | 10:00am       |
| -Jail P & A ( <i>hybrid</i> )           | 02/13 | 9:00am        |
| -Probation Revocation ( <i>hybrid</i> ) | 02/13 | 11:00am       |

### Court Reporter

\*\*Lynn Fowler, Per Diem  
 \*\*Reed Hicks, ACR  
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 \*\*Joan Drammeh, Per Diem

### NCD Judge Brandy Brooks in Non-Complex (NC2): (JCT/1A)

|  |       |         |
|--|-------|---------|
| -Bond P&A                                | 02/09 | 10:00am |
| -Motions/Pretrial Conf./Prob. Compliance | 02/10 | 10:00am |
| -Jail P & A ( <i>hybrid</i> )-(FCC/8J)   | 02/11 | 9:30am  |
| -Final Plea & Case Management            | 02/12 | 9:00am  |

\*\*Shira Kirkland, ACR  
 \*\*Tarsha Watts, ACR  
 \*\*Joan Drammeh, Per Diem  
 \*\*\*Mary Hanham, Per Diem

## Superior Court Judges

### Court Reporter

### Judge Paige Whitaker: (JCT/5D)

|                                 |       |        |
|---------------------------------|-------|--------|
| <i>Jail Bond Calendars</i>      | 02/11 | 9:00am |
| <i>Pretrial Conf. Calendars</i> | 02/12 | 9:00am |

\*\*\*Carley Adamson, ACR  
 \*\*\*Shira Kirkland, ACR

### Judge Rachel Krause: (JCT/4B)

|                            |             |        |
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| <i>Criminal Jury Trial</i> | 02/09-/2/13 | 9:30am |
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\*\*\*Lisa Sims, Floater

### Judge Robert McBurney: (JCT/8D)

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| <i>Criminal Calendars</i> | 02/10 | 9am & 1:30pm |
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\*\*Melanie Fisher

### Judge Melynee Leftridge: (JCT/8C)

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|---------------------------|-------|--------|
| <i>Criminal Calendars</i> | 02/11 | 9:30am |
| <i>Criminal Calendars</i> | 02/12 | 9:30am |

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