

**IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS OF THE MOUNTAIN JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
IN THE JUVENILE COURTS OF THE MOUNTAIN JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
STATE OF GEORGIA**

**STANDING ORDER OF THE COURT**

Chief Superior Court Judge William R. Oliver, Superior Court Judge B. Nichole Carswell, Superior Court Judge Carlton H. Jones, III and Chief Juvenile Court Judge Lori K. Pearson mutually request the judicial assistance of the other, in accordance with O.C.G.A. Section 15-1-9.1(b)(2), until further order of the court, for the following reasons:

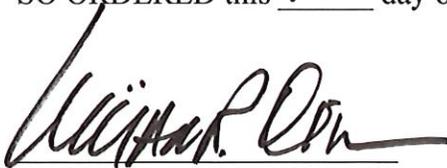
The Mountain Judicial Circuit is a circuit consisting of three Superior Court Judges and one Chief Juvenile Court Judge. There will be occasions when these judges, of necessity, will be absent from their respective office(s) due to mandatory continuing educational seminars, meetings, illnesses, vacation, and for other unforeseen reasons and circumstances. There will also be matters from which the judges will be forced to disqualify themselves which may necessitate immediate action.

By designation of this order, Judge Lori K. Pearson may hear any civil or criminal jury trials or nonjury Superior Court cases she is requested to hear by a Superior Court Judge. When presiding, she shall preside as a Superior Court Judge, and said cases shall not be considered as transferred, and no separate official docket need be kept.

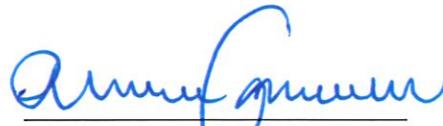
If necessary due to court business and/or the absence of the Juvenile Court Judge, any qualified Superior Court Judge may preside in Juvenile Court with no further order. When such Superior Court Judge is presiding in Juvenile Court, he shall preside as a Juvenile Court Judge, and said cases shall not be considered as transferred, and no separate official docket need be kept.

The Clerk shall spread this Order upon the minutes.

SO ORDERED this 15<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2025.



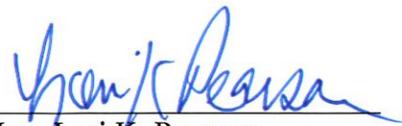
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