

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THOMAS COUNTY
PRE-TRIAL CALENDAR
APRIL TERM, 2025

Pre-trial conferences on the within cases will be held on **TUESDAY, JUNE 17, 2025**, in the **JUDGE'S CHAMBERS** at the Thomas County Judicial Center, Thomasville, Georgia, at the date and time assigned herein for each respective case.

ALL COUNSEL AND PRO SE PARTIES ARE TO BE FAMILIAR WITH, AND ADHERE TO, ALL PROVISIONS OF THIS NOTICE.

Attention is directed to Uniform Superior Court Rules (U.R.) 7.1, 7.2, and 14, which are by reference incorporated herein. The Uniform Superior Court Rules will be referred to hereinafter as "U.R."

A copy of this order is included by reference in every pre-trial order filed in the Southern Judicial Circuit.

No case will be placed on the Trial Calendar without a pre-trial order being filed therein in accordance with U.R. 7.2 and this notice, unless otherwise ordered by the Court.

The Court directs that counsel for both parties confer at their earliest convenience to refine the issues, arrive at all possible stipulations, exhibit and exchange documentary evidence, and furnish each other a written statement of their contentions.

After so conferring, counsel for the plaintiff shall prepare a pre-trial order which shall be in compliance with U.R. 7.2 as is applicable to the particular type case. The proposed pre-trial order shall also state:

- (1a) The type of case (Personal Injury, Property Damage, Divorce, Counterclaim, etc.);
- (4a) Whether counsel will agree to waive jury trial, agree to trial by a six person jury, proceed with a lesser number of jurors than selected should any of them be unable to complete the trial for any reason;
- (6a) Plaintiff's contentions of applicable law;
- (7a) Defendant's contentions of applicable law;
- (8a) Issues of law;
- (13a) Facts established by pleadings;
- (14c) Documents to be admitted into evidence without objection;
- (16a) A statement of other ordinances and statutes applicable.

Such proposed pretrial order shall be presented to the court, in duplicate, at the pretrial conference; **OR** counsel for the parties may sign and deliver the original and one copy of same to:

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on or before the 13th day of **June, 2025**. (U.R. 7.2) Upon reviewing the proposed pre-trial order, the Court may, in its discretion, notify counsel that same is approved and that counsel are excused from the scheduled pre-trial conference. ***Unless so notified by the Court, counsel for all parties shall attend the scheduled pre-trial conference.**

The Court directs that counsel for all parties in **Domestic Relations** cases submit to the Court along with the proposed pre-trial order, or at the time of the scheduled pre-trial conference, one list of all assets of the parties which are to be divided by the jury as separate property or separate debt, and one list of marital property and marital debt. Any asset not on one of said lists, will not be submitted to the jury. The list of marital property and debt shall contain a proposed allocation of such asset or debt and shall also contain an indicated space for the awarding of such asset or debt by the jury.

All objections to testimony on file with the Court shall be called to the Court's attention at the time the proposed pre-trial order is submitted or shall be deemed to have been waived; objections to depositions taken after the time of the submission of the pre-trial order shall be called to the court's attention and disposed of prior to trial week or shall be deemed to have been waived.

No exhibit will be admitted unless submitted to and initialed by opposing counsel, and numbered prior to the selection of the jury.

Any person not listed under the "will have present" or the "may have present" witness list in the pretrial order, shall not be allowed to testify.

The parties shall jointly prepare a proposed verdict form and submit the same to the court at the time of the pre-trial conference; if the parties are unable to agree on a form, each party shall submit a proposed form to the court.

A copy of all proposed Requests to Charge shall be delivered to the Court at the time of the submission of the proposed pre-trial order or at the pre-trial conference. The original request need not be filed nor copy furnished to opposing counsel until commencement of the trial. (U.R. 10.3)

If no defensive pleadings have been filed and the case is in default, plaintiff's counsel shall bring a proposed default judgment to said conference. If the case is in default and the claim is ex delicto or based upon an unliquidated claim, plaintiff's counsel shall present evidence at said conference on the issue of damages and present a proposed judgment therefor to the Court at said conference.

If the case is to be dismissed, dismissal must be filed with Clerk prior to pre-trial conference and judge's office notified, or written dismissal should be brought to the pre-trial conference.

If the case is a Divorce action and no defensive pleadings have been filed, or there are no issues remaining for trial, counsel for the plaintiff shall present evidence on the issue of divorce and a proposed decree at said conference.

NON-JURY TRIAL CASES

*A pre-trial order will not be required for the cases that are designated as non-jury matters **IF** counsel for each party confers and submits to the court, in writing, no later than **June 13, 2025**, the contentions of the parties, the time estimated in hours to try the matter, and whether the presence of a court reporter is required.

STATUS CONFERENCE CASES

On the Status Conference portion of this calendar, all counsel and Pro Se parties will be required to attend in person unless a final order is submitted to the Court and you are excused by the Court prior to **JUNE 13, 2025**.

PRE-TRIAL CASES:

In order to be excused from the pre-trial conference portion of this calendar, counsel or Pro Se parties will need to submit, in writing, a letter to the Court no later than **June 13, 2025**, the contentions of the parties, the time estimated to try the matter and whether a court reporter is requested. **Otherwise, counsel and Pro Se parties shall attend the scheduled pre-trial conference.**

NOTE: Civil Trials for the following cases are scheduled for the week of July 14th – 18th, 2025, contingent upon cases having completed mediation. Any cases not mediated, or not having been previously exempted from mediation, will not be tried during the trial week of July 14th – 18th, 2025.

STATUS CONFERENCES:

<u>TIME:</u>	<u>CASE NO:</u>	<u>CASE:</u>	<u>ATTORNEY:</u>
9:30	2024 CVD 0215	Austin Martin vs. Hayley Williams	Christopher Flowers Pro Se
	2022 CV 0490	Albert Davis, Jr. vs. The Estate of Scott Mae	Christopher K. Rodd Matthew R. Lawrence
	2023 CV 0474	Rachel Cooper vs. Larry Jermain O'Neal	Christopher K. Rodd Blake H. Frye


PRETRIAL CONFERENCES

<u>TIME:</u>	<u>CASE NO:</u>	<u>CASE:</u>	<u>ATTORNEY:</u>
9:45	2024 CV 0509	Salander Enterprises, LLC vs. Jasmine Waters	Valerie Chinn Pro se
	2024 CV 0650	UC Stewart Farms, LP vs. Jonathan Bass, Kathleen Bass	John T. Holt Pro Se, Pro Se
	2024 CVD 0132 Continued Per Judge Prine	Jodi Russell vs. Robert Lee Russell, Jr.	Joseph Vankin John T. Holt
	2024 CV 0328	Sheila Sampson vs. Gage Rutland	Christopher K. Rodd Sky Rutland
10:00	2021 CVD 0523	Lloyd C. Graham vs. Rosie M. Graham	William Blackburn Bree Sullivan-Howell
	2022 CVD 0484 Continued Per Judge Prine	Charles Johnston, III vs. Marion Simmons	Jami Lewis Bree Sullivan-Howell
	2023 CVD 0618	Brandon Ponder vs. Christian Payne	Bree Sullivan-Howell Pro Se
	2024 CVD 0049	Connie H. Maggitas vs. Tommy Maggitas	Dorothy K. McCranie Bree Sullivan-Howell

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<u>TIME:</u>	<u>CASE NO:</u>	<u>CASE:</u>	<u>ATTORNEY:</u>
10:15	2024 CVD 0056	Austin Payne vs. Stephanie Dalton	Bree Sullivan-Howell Tabitha Payne
	2024 CVD 0571	Quentine Addison, Sr. vs. Mansfield Pace, Jr.	Bree Sullivan-Howell Dewey N. Hayes

SO ORDERED, this 9th day of June, 2025.



Honorable Jim Prine
Judge, Southern Judicial Circuit
State of Georgia

Clerk's Certificate

This is to certify that I have this date mailed a true and correct copy of the foregoing Civil Pre-Trial Calendar to all Attorneys having cases listed thereon, to each Pro Se party having listed thereon, and to the Judge scheduled to hold Pre-Trial Conferences. This 10th day of June, 2025.

LaTasha James

Deputy Clerk, Thomas Superior Court