

**IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THOMAS COUNTY, GEORGIA  
PRE-TRIAL CONFERENCE CALENDAR  
FEBRUARY TERM, 2025**

**NOTICE**

Pre-trial conferences on the within cases will be held on **MARCH 10, 2025**, in **the Superior Court Judges Chambers** of the Thomas County Courthouse Thomasville, Georgia, at the date and time assigned herein for each respective case. **ALL COUNSEL 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 statute-s applicable.

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Such proposed pre-trial 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:

**JUDGE BRIAN A. MCDANIEL  
POST OFFICE BOX 2227  
MOULTRIE, GEORGIA 31776-2227  
FAX 229-616-7447  
EMAIL: [bmj@southernjudicialcircuit.com](mailto:bmj@southernjudicialcircuit.com)**

on or before the 7th day of March, 2025. (U.R. 7.2). **IF A PRE-TRIAL ORDER HAS ALREADY BEEN ENTERED, THIS PROVISION MAY BE COMPLIED WITH BY PROVIDING A COPY TO THE COURT.** 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, 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 pre-trial order, shall not be allowed to testify.

The party intending to call any **Expert Witness** shall identify the witness by name in its portion of the pre-trial order, shall include a vita sheet, and shall identify the area of expertise and specific questions concerning which the expert will be questioned for expression of opinion. If the expert's testimony is opposed, the **party opposing** shall **file an objection prior to the deadline** for pre-trial order, stating with specificity any objections to: 1) credentials of the proposed expert; 2) testing and evaluation procedure, if applicable; 3) underlying facts or additional opinions upon which the expert's opinion is based; 4) scientific theory upon which opinion is based; and 5) legal admissibility of opinion for any reason. Absent such a **specific** objection, the Court may consider the matter of admissibility, not credibility, stipulated by counsel as to any matters about which such objection is not filed.

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.

**SO ORDERED**, this 20th day of February, 2025.

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IS/Brian A. McDaniel

**HON. BRIAN A. MCDANIEL**  
JUDGE, SUPERIOR COURTS  
SOUTHERN JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

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**Jury Trials:**

ALL CASES TO BE TRIED BY A JURY WILL BE REQUIRED TO  
ATTEND THE PRE-TRIAL CONFERENCE and PREPARE A PRE-TRIAL ORDER.

**Non-Jury Trials:**

A pre-trial order will not be required for the cases that are designated as non-huy matters. Counsel for each party shall confer and submit to the court, in writing, no later than March 7, 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.

**If counsel fails to confer, then appearance by both counsel will be required at the pre-trial conference.** If counsel submits a conflict notice or leave of absence for the March 10, 2025, pre-trial conference, the Court will expect counsel to confer and submit the contentions to the Court prior to the March 7, 2025 deadline date.

SO ORDERED, this 20TH day of February, 2025.

/s/ Brian A. McDaniel  
Brian A. McDaniel  
Chief Judge, Superior Court  
Southern Judicial Circuit

**IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THOMAS COUNTY, GEORGIA  
 CIVIL PRETRIAL CONFERENCE CALENDAR  
 MARCH 10, 2025  
 HONORABLE CHIEF JUDGE BRIAN A. MCDANIEL, PRESIDING  
 JUDGES CHAMBERS**

**NOTE:** Civil Trials for the following cases are scheduled for the week of April 14, 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 April 14, 2025.

**STATUS CONFERENCES:**

<b><u>TIME:</u></b>	<b><u>CASE NO:</u></b>	<b><u>CASE:</u></b>	<b><u>ATTORNEY:</u></b>
9:30 A.M.	2020 CVD 0193	Stephanie Clark	Megan Lane
		vs. Jonathan Chad Morris	William Blackburn
	2021' CV 0359	Diane Curry for Alvin Donalson Alvin Donalson (deceased)	Bruce Warren
		vs. Betty Donalson	A. William Clark
	2020 CVD 0178	Magic Lamar Thomas	Pro Se
		vs. Shaneria Lurry	Pro Se
	2024 CV 0014 & 2024 CV 0015	George L. Carnage, III vs. Dorothy Carnage Charlene Lewis Charles Lewis	Pro Se Pro Se Pro Se

PRETRIAL CONFERENCES

<u>TIME:</u>	<u>CASE NO:</u>	<u>CASE:</u>	<u>ATTORNEY:</u>
10:00 A.M.	2021 CV 0538	Daniel K. Atkinson vs. Emily Ross, Brian Ross	Joshua Bell  Pro Se, Pro se
	2022 CVD 0195	David C. Chubb vs. Anna Arnold	Bree Sullivan-Howell  Pro Se
	2022 CVD 0402	Robert Dodge vs. Julie S. Dodge	Jennifer Williams  Pro Se
	2022 CV 0484	Charles Johnston, III vs. Marion Simmons	Jami Lewis  Bree Sullivan-Howell
	2023 CV 0098	John Stegall vs. James Burmeister	Christopher K. Rodd  Leslie Kennerly
	2023 CV 0136	Josephine Gunn vs. Martha Wood	Christopher K. Rodd  J. Smith, Jr. Leslie Kennerly
	2023 CV 0548	Michael Rutland vs. Dial Equities, dba Haley Residential	Jessica Idlett  David Clarke
	2024 CV 0160	Bernard Pringle Christine Pringle vs. Melissa Vick	Pro Se Pro Se  Clifford Kirbo

2024 CV 0273

Ardria Clark

Christopher Rodd

vs.

Mary Smith

Leslie Kennerly

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2024 CV 0343

Kayla M. Clark

Pro Se

vs.

FOY estate of Ben Ray

John Holt

And Sabra K Ray

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**CLERK'S CERTIFICATE**

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

This 20<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2025.

LaTasha James  
DEPUTY CLERK, THOMAS SUPERIOR COURT