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Counsel:

You are being notified pursuant to Uniform State Court Rule 8.3 that the cases on the attached **CIVIL BENCH TRIAL CALENDAR** are being called in December 17, 2020 in courtroom 2G for Judge Ronda Colvin Leary. Please see calendar for designated time

You will not receive further notice in the mail

Please check the TV Monitors when you arrive at the Courthouse to make sure our courtroom has not changed.

Please note. If your case requires a hearing of 2 hours or more, please contact our office to specially set time

**\*\*Filing a Motion for Summary Judgment or Motion for Judgment on the Pleadings after the published date of this calendar will not remove the case from the calendar. An appearance will be required.**

If you require the use of an Interpreter please notify our office as soon as possible.

If you are unable to open the attachment, you can download the Adobe Reader software at [www.adobe.com](http://www.adobe.com).

Please follow all instructions on the cover page of the calendar

Thank you,

Kelsea Martin  
Calendar Coordinator  
Judge Ronda Colvin Leary  
Gwinnett County State Court

IN THE STATE COURT OF GWINNETT COUNTY, STATE OF GEORGIA  
JUDGE RONDA COLVIN LEARY - COURTROOM 2G  
CIVIL BENCH TRIAL CALENDAR - DECEMBER 17, 2020

The following cases will be called for NON-JURY trial on December 17, 2020 at the designated times at the Justice and Administration Center located at 75 Langley Drive, Lawrenceville, Georgia 30046 Cases in which no appearance is made will be considered abandoned and dismissed for want of prosecution.

APPEARANCE OF COUNSEL

Rule 8.4 (Trial Date) will not apply. This Court cannot determine prior to the call of the calendar which cases will be considered the first five (5) actions due to conflicts, settlements, dismissals and other dispositions, therefore, all counsel and parties must appear at the call of the calendar Trials will begin immediately following the call of the calendar, therefore all witnesses must be present.

CONFLICTS

This Court requires counsel to report ONLY CONFLICTS WHICH TAKE PRECEDENCE AND WILL NOT ALLOW APPEARANCE AT THE CALL OF THE CALENDAR. Conflict notice should be delivered to the Court at least five (5) days prior to the call of the calendar If mailed, send to the address listed below

CONTINUANCES

Pursuant to Rule 8.5 (Uniform Rules for State Courts), continuances WILL NOT BE GRANTED MERELY BY AGREEMENT OF COUNSEL OR BY TELEPHONE. This Court requires that all requests for continuances must be submitted, IN PLEADING FORM, and must be received by the Court at least five (5) days prior to the call of the calendar If mailed, send to address below Requests shall contain at least the following information 1 Reason for requesting the continuance, 2 Length of time to be continued, 3 If opposing Counsel or party agrees to continuance, 4. If continuances have previously been granted. It is the responsibility of requesting party to ascertain if continuance has been granted and to notify all parties

DISMISSALS AND SETTLEMENTS

It is required by this Court that any dismissal or settlement announcement will be submitted to the Court, IN WRITING, within ten (10) days from the call of the calendar or the terms of such Agreement shall be dictated to the Court Reporter and made a part of the record or the case may be DISMISSED FOR WANT OF PROSECUTION

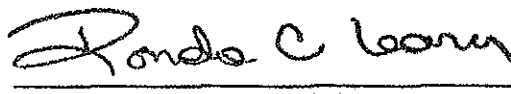
JURY DEMANDS

All demands for Jury trial shall be filed with the Clerk of Court and copy forwarded to the Calendar Clerk at the address listed below prior to the call of the calendar Demands filed on the day of calendar call must be announced at Calendar Call by counsel filing same.

COURT REPORTER

Our official court reporter ("CR") will be present and you may retain her Failure to share in "take down" costs may impair your ability to procure a transcript. The attorney or pro se litigant retaining the CR shall pay all fees immediately upon the conclusion of the hearing/trial If you would like your case taken down by the CR, the cost to do so is \$43.31 per hour (or half if cost is shared). There will be an additional cost for any transcript that is ordered. Counsel or pro se litigant should be prepared to make immediate payment at the time "take down" is completed.

THIS CALENDAR APPROVED AND ORDERED PUBLISHED, this 24 day of November, 2020

  
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RONDA COLVIN LEARY, Judge  
State Court of Gwinnett County

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**COVID-19 CIVIL HEARING PROCEDURES - DIVISION 4, STATE COURT  
JUDGE RONDA COLVIN LEARY**

Covid-19 has changed the way people interact with each other throughout our community. The safety and well-being of everyone that needs access to the courts is of paramount concern. At the same time, parties involved in litigation need and deserve the opportunity to resolve those disputes. Recognizing that, the Chief Justice's Declaration of Statewide Judicial Emergency encourages the courts and litigants to proceed to the extent feasible with non-essential functions consistent with public health guidelines.

In an effort to promote social distancing, the Court will be reducing the number of cases called in on calendars and utilizing mobile technology to the greatest extent possible. To use court time most effectively, opposing counsel are directed to confer with each other in advance of scheduled calendars. If possible, every effort should be made to narrow the issues and reach agreement on the best course of action for presenting the case to the Court. The Court retains the final decision on how to conduct the proceedings.

**HEARINGS WILL BE CONDUCTED IN PERSON**

In the event a traditional in person hearing or trial is scheduled, all parties are instructed to follow social distancing and other CDC guidelines to ensure their well being as well as the well being of those and others who may be a part of the proceedings. The Court will reasonably limit the number of cases called in to appear on any given day. People entering the courthouse are being scanned for temperatures at the door. Hand sanitizer stations are located throughout the building. Seating areas have been marked off to assist in maintaining social distancing requirements. Masks and gloves are welcome except while a witness is on the stand and testifying. All participants are instructed to notify the Court if they are exhibiting symptoms of, or have been exposed to, Covid-19 prior to physically appearing at the Courthouse. A court reporter will be provided for all hearings.

We understand that this is a difficult time for everyone and if you are in need of any additional information or have other concerns please notify the court via email ([kelsea.martin@gwinnettcountry.com](mailto:kelsea.martin@gwinnettcountry.com)) at any time. Please note that staff are working remotely and only in the office limited hours so phone calls may be delayed. The easiest and quickest way to receive a response regarding any questions or issues is via email. Thank you for your willingness to assist the court in moving forward in an ever changing environment.