## STANDING ORDER: 25-010

## IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS OF BARROW AND JACKSON COUNTIES

## STATE OF GEORGIA

In Re: INFORMATION SHARING WITH THE JUVENILE COURTS OF THE PIEDMONT JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

## STANDING ORDER

WHEREAS O.C.G.A. § 15-11-710 requires the Superior Court and Juvenile Courts and other state and local governmental entities "to exchange with each other all information not held as confidential pursuant to federal law and relating to a child which may aid in governmental entity in the assessment, treatment, intervention, or rehabilitation of a child"; and

WHEREAS it is in the interests of judicial economy that the Juvenile Courts of this Circuit need not file actions to open sealed records in every case in which the Superior Court sealed information which is subject to the above mentioned statute;

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the Clerks of Court of the Piedmont Judicial Circuit shall provide access to the sealed records of this Court to the Judge of the Juvenile Courts of the Piedmont Judicial Circuit for an *in camera* inspection upon the request of said Judge or his lawful designee.

IT IS FUTHER ORDERED that the Honorable William E. Hicks, Judge of the Juvenile Courts of the Piedmont Judicial Circuit, its hereby appointed Superior Court Judge *pro hac vice* for the purpose of hearing petitions to unseal records pertaining or related to children who are before the Juvenile Courts of the Piedmont Judicial Circuit pursuant to Juvenile Proceedings Code of Georgia.

SO ORDERED this 27th day of Mey, 2025.

Nicholas Primm, Chief Judge Piedmont Judicial Circuit

Benjamin Green, Judge Piedmont Judicial Circuit Sarah J. Griffie, Judge Piedmont Judicial Circuit

Andrew Crawford, Judge Piedmont Judicial Circuit

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