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## SUPREME COURT CLERK

JOE W. MARTIN, JR., CLERK IN THE COUNTY COURT OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSISSIPP BY

EMERGENCY ADMINISTRATIVE GENERAL ORDER

Due to the landfall of Hurricane Katrina on August 29, 2005, the Mississippi Gulf Coast, and in particular, Jackson County, sustained severe damage and destruction. Because of the extent of the damage, the various supporting offices, agencies and personnel of the County Court of Jackson County is unable to perform the normal duties and functions of the Court system. In order to avoid injustice and to protect the fairness and integrity of the Trial Courts, members of the Bar, litigants and the general public, it is necessary that the Court er ter this Emergency General Order. IT IS, THEREFORE,

## ORDERED:

- 1. That all motions and corresponding deadlines pursuant to MRCP 7-16 and UCCCR 4.03 are suspended until December 1, 2005 unless extended by further Order of this Court.
- 2. All discovery practices and deadlines pursuant to MRCP 26-\$7 and UCCCR 4.04 and 9.04 are suspended until December 1, 2005 unless extended by further Order of this Court.
- 3. All Motions, Trials and Hearings set between August 29, 2005 and December 1, 2005 are hereby continued. New settings for the foregoing may be scheduled through the County Court Administrator as soon as practical. However, tothing set forth herein shall prevent the Court from hearing emergency criminal matters as determined on a case by case basis.

- 4. All deadlines for appeals to the County Court from Justice Court, City Courts or any Administrative Agency are suspended until December 1, 2005 unless extended by further Order of this Court.
- 5. Statute of Limitations: No extensions or suspensions of deadlines herein shall apply to the limitation periods which are set by statute.
- 6. The County Court may by Order exercise such discretion in extending deadlines, rescheduling hearings, trials and other matters and grant such other relief as circumstances require and law allows.
- 7. This Emergency General Order shall be filed with the Supreme Court of Mississippi and shall be published on the Supreme Court's official website at:

http://www.mssc.state.ms.us.

SO ORDERED, this the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ day of September, 2005.

T, LARRY WILSON,

SENIOR COUNTY COURT JUDGE