

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF YAZOO COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

RE: NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2021 TERM OF COURT

ORDER

THIS MATTER is before the Court on the Court's Motion concerning the November/December Term of Court in Yazoo County. The Court will endeavor to move the cases to final resolution during the term. The term will begin on Monday, November 22, 2021, therefore, you are to report to the Court on November 18, 2021, in writing, whether your clients will enter a plea or go to trial. You are to report in Court on November 22, 2021 at 11:00 a. m. on the final status of your cases for the November/December Term of Court. I need to know your client's final decision on November 22, 2021. The status report will assist the Court in setting cases for trial on days where all defendants, that are not previously set, will enter a guilty plea. This will hopefully prevent wasted court days. In the event the first setting enters an open plea on the morning of trial, the other settings should be present and ready for trial.

You are ordered to be mindful and abide by the Court's standing orders on scheduling of criminal motions, psychological evaluation and omnibus hearings. The criminal status conferences are set for Defense Attorneys and the District Attorney to meet with the Court on Monday, November 22, 2021 at 11:00 a. m. to report the status of **all** cases set on the November/December Docket.

The following Defense Attorneys are hereby ordered to be present:

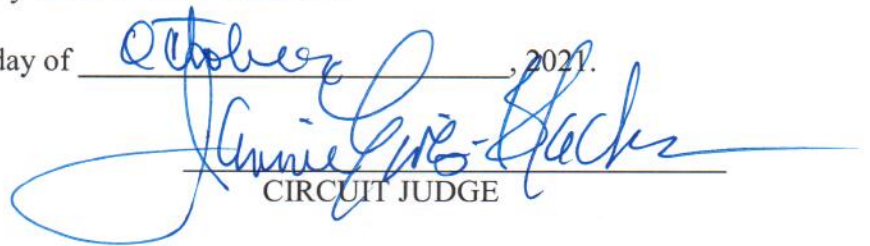
Alva Taylor *T. Murray Whalen* *Belinda Stevens* *Marcus Williams*
Edna Jones-Stringer *Cynthia Stewart* *Trent Walker* *Ramiro Orozco*
Dexter Woodberry *Richard Carter* *Neysha Sanders* *Lawrence Blackmon*

The District Attorney Office is also ordered to be present at the status conference, prepared to report on the State's position.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Court will hear pleas on Wednesday, November 24, 2021 at 9:00 a. m. All other pleas heard after November 24, 2021 will be open pleas. If an attorney cannot be present for status conference, you shall contact another attorney to stand in for you.

The parties failing to abide by this Court's order shall be subject to contempt proceeding, which may result in the payment of jury fees and other sanctions.

ORDERED this 8 day of October, 2021.


CIRCUIT JUDGE