

**IN THE MAGISTRATE COURT OF EVANS COUNTY
STATE OF GEORGIA**

NOTICE

Due to the continued transmission of Coronavirus/COVID-19, and Governor Kemp having declared a State of Emergency in Georgia and the Georgia Chief Supreme Court Justice having extended the initial judicial emergency order from April 13, 2020 to May 13, 2020, the Magistrate Court of Evans County will continue to assist the public in a modified capacity. In order to protect the health and safety of employees and the public, the door will remain closed. If you need to submit a civil filing there are several ways to do so. You can:

1. E-file Statement of Claims or Dispossessories at **evansmagcourt.com**. E-Filing **WILL AUTOMATICALLY** submit the filing to the court.
2. Go to the Magistrate Court Council's website at **georgiamagistratecouncil.com** to use the Form Generator. The Form Generator will ask you questions and generate the form(s) you need and allow you to **print** the completed form(s) for filing. **It will NOT automatically submit the filing for you**, you must mail the filing AND the appropriate filing fee to the magistrate court. See below for information.
3. Go to the Magistrate Court Council's website at **georgiamagistratecouncil.com** to print the blank forms you need for filing. You will need to complete the forms for filing and mail the filing AND the appropriate filing fee to the magistrate court. See below for information.
4. Pick up a form from the table located outside of the magistrate court office, complete the forms for filing and place the filing AND appropriate filing fee in the box on the Magistrate Court Door or you must mail the filing AND the appropriate filing fee to the magistrate court. See below for information.

If you need assistance, or if you need to file anything other than a civil filing please call the Magistrate Court of Evans County at 912-739-3745.

The Magistrate Court of Evans County will:

- Reschedule all non-essential hearings until after May 13, 2020 unless otherwise extended; the court will send continuance notices once the order has been lifted
- Accept and process new filings, including statements of claims, dispossessories, foreclosures, and garnishments but will **NOT SERVE** new filings until the order is lifted
- Process civil answers and garnishment answers and issue garnishment payments
The court encourages answers to be mailed instead of personally delivered. See the mailing address below.
- Not issue any default judgments for cases that may default during the State of Judicial Emergency
- Continue to consider requests for warrants, conduct first appearance hearings and set bonds where the State does not oppose bonds
- Encourage potential civil filers to file statement of claims and dispossessory actions online at www.evansmagcourt.com

**Magistrate Court of Evans County
7 Freeman Street, Courthouse Annex
Claxton, GA 30417**

Phone: 912-739-3745 Fax: 912-739-8856

Magclerk1@evanscounty.org Magclerk2@evanscounty.org

E-File: evansmagcourt.com

Print forms from: georgiamagistratecouncil.com

Filing Fees: \$98.00 for Statement of Claims, Dispossessories, Garnishments, and Personal Property
Foreclosures - If more than one defendant add \$50.00 for each additional defendant-

All filings submitted must be notarized.