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ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

REGARDING COURT'S OPERATIONS IN INCLEMENT WEATHER
OR NATURAL DISASTER

Whereas, the undersigned Senior Resident Superior Court Judge for District 25A and the Chief District Court Judge for District 25 acknowledge that the operation of the courts in Burke and Caldwell Counties requires a coordinated effort among state and county officials, and that a uniform policy for both trial divisions of the General Court of Justice would promote a more efficient operation of the courts and prevent confusion among the bar, litigants, jurors and the public about the operation of the courts during inclement weather or a natural disaster;

Therefore, by virtue of the authority established by N.C.G.S. Chapter 7A, the undersigned hereby establish the following policy for the operation of the courts during inclement weather or a natural disaster in District 25A:

I. Due to improvements of technology and the ability to communicate faster, the courts will NO longer use the weather policy for the respective county school system and will make an independent determination concerning the operation of the Courts;

II. Inclement Weather

A. When the first instance of inclement weather occurs during the 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. workday, the presiding judge of each court shall determine the operating schedule for that judge's court on that day. On any subsequent day and thereafter, the terms of this Administrative Order shall apply.

B. When inclement weather occurs during the weekend, on a holiday, overnight or early in the morning before the normal workday begins, then the local court officials, in consultation

with other local authorities, will make a determination concerning the operation of the Courts. The respective Court Manager will place an announcement on the local radio and television stations and post on www.nccourts.gov *ONLY* if court sessions have been cancelled or delayed. If no announcement is made, all court sessions will operate as normally scheduled.

C. On all subsequent consecutive days of inclement weather, the respective Court Manager will place an announcement on the local radio and television stations and post on www.nccourts.gov *ONLY* if court sessions have been cancelled or delayed. If no announcement is made, all court sessions will operate as normally scheduled.

III. Natural Disaster

In the event of any natural disaster (e.g. fire, flood, tornado, hurricane, earthquake) the local court officials, in consultation with local authorities, will make a decision concerning the operation of the Courts and will make an announcement *ONLY* if courts are cancelled or delayed. If no announcement is made, all court sessions will operate as normally scheduled.

This Administrative Order shall supersede any prior orders or policies heretofore entered.

This the 21st of December, 2022



ROBERT C. ERVIN
Senior Resident Superior Court Judge
District 25A



SHERRI WILSON ELLIOTT
Chief District Court Judge
District 25