



OPELIKA MUNICIPAL COURT OUTLINES COURT PROCEDURES IN RESPONSE TO COVID-19

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OPELIKA, Ala. – Due to concerns with COVID-19, Opelika Municipal Court has issued an emergency order outlining court procedures. Please see the attached order from Presiding Judge Ben Hand and Judge Wes McCollum.

This order shall remain in effect until April 16, 2020, or until such time as the Supreme Court of Alabama further Orders related to the COVID-19 outbreak.

Normal operations of the Opelika Municipal Court, with the exception of in-person hearings, will continue. The Court will reschedule all non-jail hearings previously scheduled between March 16, 2020 and April 16, 2020. There will be a court employee available on regularly scheduled dates issuing continuance letters and to have defendants and subpoenaed witnesses sign an acknowledgement to return to court at a future dates.

During this order, only inmates who have not made bond will appear in court on their regularly scheduled date, but will keep number of people in court at a minimum.

PLEASE SEE ATTACHED FULL ORDER and share with your readers/viewers. For more information, contact Denise P. Rogers at 334-705-5191.

