

# Information Regarding the Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) and Unified Judicial System and its respective courthouses.

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The Unified Judicial System continues to monitor the most current statements from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), as well as all communications disseminated by the Alabama Department of Public Health, regarding the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19). The Unified Judicial System is following recommended guidelines from public health officials and recommended preparedness guidance. Currently, there has been no adjustment in court operations, except as listed below.

Please note that if you have traveled to China, Italy, Iran, or South Korea within the last 14 days; reside or have had close contact with someone who has traveled to one of the above areas within the last 14 days; have been asked to self-quarantine by any hospital or health agency or health professional; or have been diagnosed with, or have had contact with, anyone who have been diagnosed with COVID-19, you must inform the Court Security Officers upon entering the courthouse and will be denied permission to enter. If you are so affected and are an attorney scheduled to appear before the Court in the near future, you must notify the Court so that appropriate safeguard measures can be taken. The Presiding judge of each county will make a decision on how you are able to proceed.

The Contacts for the respective agencies and courts located in the Heflin-Torbert Judicial Building:

For the Supreme Court contact the Clerk's office at (334) 229-0700

For the Court of Civil Appeals – contact the Clerk's office at (334) 229-0733

For the Court of Criminal Appeals- contact the Clerk's office at (334) 229-0751

For the Administrative Office of Courts- contact (334) 954-5080

For the State Law Library: contact (334) 229-0563

For the Alabama Marshal- contact (334) 229-0776

These limited restrictions will remain in place until further notice.