

IN THE MUNICIPAL COURT OF ALBANY, GEORGIA

IN RE: CLOSING OF COURT : **ORDER 2026-7**
PROVIDING FOR PRISONER :
RELEASE :

CLOSING OF COURT AND PROVIDING FOR DEFENDANTS' RELEASE DUE TO THE LABOR DAY HOLIDAY

Due to the Labor Day holiday, Albany Municipal Court will be closed on **Monday, September 7, 2026**. Individuals arrested for charges other than Probation Violation who would be arraigned during this time, who have not posted bond shall be released as follows:

Individuals arrested after 8:00 AM on Wednesday, September 2, 2026, shall be released by unsecured judicial release on Friday, September 4, 2026;

Individuals arrested on Thursday, September 3, 2026, shall be released by unsecured judicial release on Saturday, September 5, 2026;

Individuals arrested on Friday, September 4, 2026, shall be released by unsecured judicial release on Sunday, September 6, 2026;

Individuals arrested on Saturday, September 5, 2026, shall be released by unsecured judicial release on Monday, September 7, 2026;

Individuals arrested on Sunday, September 6, 2026, shall be released by unsecured judicial release on Tuesday, September 8, 2026;

Individuals arrested on Monday, September 7, 2026, or later shall be released by the Dougherty County Jail upon receiving a Release Authorization form. When issuing a summons, the desk officer/intake shall issue the summons directing Defendants to appear in Albany Municipal Court on **the date appearing on citation or November 4, 2026 at 8:30am at the Law Enforcement Center, 201 W. Oglethorpe Blvd, Albany, GA 31701**.

Exception: All Defendants arrested for domestic and theft charges shall be given a stay away provision from the person and/or property, related to the charge(s). City Probation Violation Warrants shall require the Probationer to post a bond. If the desk officer/intake believes that there is a need for further court intervention, the Director of Municipal Court Administration or Deputy Director shall be contacted immediately, and s/he shall notify the Chief Judge.

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If there is a medical emergency requiring a transfer to a medical facility during the 48 hours of holding, the desk officer shall issue a summons to the individual directing them to appear in court on **the date written on citation** or any reasonable date that they can appear following their medical treatment.

A copy of this Order shall be served on all affected personnel: City Solicitor, Public Defender, Albany Police Department Chief of Police, the Uniform and Traffic Division, Commanders or Supervisors of the City's Police Department, Albany State University Chief of Police, Georgia State Patrol, Dougherty County Sheriff, and strategic places as to give public notice.

This Order shall expire **Monday, September 7, 2026, at 8:00 AM** and shall no longer be in effect for the release of prisoners.

So Ordered this 20th day of August, 2026.



Chief Judge Ingrid P. Driskell
Albany Municipal Court