

**IN THE STATE COURT OF FORSYTH COUNTY  
STATE OF GEORGIA**

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v.

**CASE NO.** \_\_\_\_\_

**Assigned to Judge** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Defendant.**

**ORDER FOR MENTAL EVALUATION REGARDING COMPETENCY TO STAND  
TRIAL AND/OR CRIMINAL RESPONSIBILITY**

WHEREAS the mental competency of the above defendant has been called into question, and evidence presented in the matter, and this court has found that it is appropriate for an evaluation to be conducted at public expense.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities conduct an evaluative examination of said defendant, provide treatment of the defendant, if appropriate, and provide to this court a report of diagnosis, prognosis, and its findings, with respect to:

***Competency to Stand Trial.*** Whether the accused is capable of understanding the nature and object of the proceedings; whether the defendant comprehends his/her own condition in reference to the proceedings against him/her; and whether the accused is capable of rendering to counsel assistance in providing a proper defense.

***Criminal Responsibility Evaluation.*** In the event the defendant is found competent to stand trial it is further ordered that the Department conduct a criminal responsibility evaluation.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that any Medical/Mental Health Provider, Community Service Board, Jail or Prison Health/Mental Health Service, when requested, provide copies of the above named defendant's clinical, psychiatric, psychological, and/or medical records, to include substance abuse treatment records, to the DBHDD within three (3) days of receipt of a copy of this order in an effort to facilitate accurate and timely evaluation of the above named defendant. *This order is to serve in lieu of other permission/release of information forms required by any agency.*

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED if the defendant is not in custody, that the department arrange with the defendant's counsel, or with the defendant if the defendant is not represented by counsel, for the prompt examination of said defendant, and the defendant is ordered to cooperate with the department in scheduling the examination. If the defendant is in custody, the department shall arrange with the county sheriff, or his/her lawful deputies, for the prompt examination of said defendant, either at the county jail or at a designated hospital, with transportation of the defendant to be provided by the sheriff, where necessary, with transportation costs to be borne by the county. Upon completion of the examination, the examining facility shall notify the sheriff who shall promptly

reassume custody of the defendant. The evaluation report is to be sent to Honorable T. Russell McClelland, III.

SO ORDERED, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20 \_\_\_\_\_.

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Judge  
State Court of Forsyth County  
Bell-Forsyth Judicial Circuit

Acknowledged by:

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Assistant Solicitor General  
State Court of Forsyth County

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Defendant/Defendant’s Attorney