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IN THE MAGISTRATE COURT OF FULTON COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA

In RE: DISBURSEMENT OF GARNISHMENT FUNDS BY CLERK OF COURT

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ORDER REVISING OCTOBER 27, 2016 STANDING ORDER AND AMENDING INTERNAL OPERATING PROCEDURE: 2016-201, ISSUED PURSUANT TO UNIFORM RULES OF MAGISTRATE COURT, RULE 1.2(C)

The order entered October 27, 2016 concerning the disbursement of garnishment funds is REVISED. The Court ORDERS that any Plaintiff wishing to obtain (1) any money or other property paid or delivered to the Court by the Garnishee or (2) any judgment against a Garnishee, shall first file a request, proposed order, and documentation sufficient to show compliance with O.C.G.A. §18-4-8.

Once a Magistrate Judge has reviewed Plaintiff's request to disburse and is satisfied that notice to the Defendant was proper, the judge may authorize the Clerk to disburse to Plaintiff funds that are currently in the Court's Registry and subsequently paid into the Court's registry provided that such funds have been on deposit 21 days and:

- 1. No traverse or claim is filed by the plaintiff, defendant or any other party;
- 2. No notice of bankruptcy is given; or
- 3. No motion to intervene is filed.

Nothing in this Order precludes the Clerk from seeking Court guidance on a request for disbursement.

No court action is required if a Plaintiff requests funds to be returned to Defendant or Garnishee.

A copy of this order shall be filed with the Standing Orders of this Court.

SO ORDERED, this __24___ day of February 2017.

Cassandra Kirk, Chief Magistrate Fulton County Magistrate Court