

The Supreme Court of South Carolina

Re: Closing of the Probate Courts

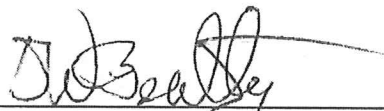
ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

I find that the implementation of Act No. 87 of 2017 substantially alters the administrative duties and responsibilities of the Probate Judges. I further find that the Probate Judges and Probate Court Staff will benefit from an educational training session on their administrative duties and responsibilities under Act No. 87 of 2017. At the request of the Probate Court Judges Advisory Committee and Probate Judges Association, and pursuant to S. C. Const. Art. V, §, 4,

IT IS ORDERED that the closing of the Probate Courts on November 29, 2018, and November 30, 2018, is hereby authorized for training and implementation of Act No. 87 of 2017. Probate Judges will have the option to coordinate the closing in their counties as they deem appropriate. Additionally, Probate Judges shall make every effort to minimize the effect of the closings on the citizens of their respective counties, with ample notice being given to the public of the closing.

The Probate Court Judges Advisory Committee and Probate Judges Association shall plan, coordinate and conduct the training sessions referenced herein.

IT IS SO ORDERED.



Donald W. Beatty
Chief Justice of South Carolina

May 17, 2018
Columbia, South Carolina