

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**DATE: March 23, 2020**

**Contact: 803-245-3025**

**BAMBERG COUNTY CLERK OF COURT**

The Bamberg County Courthouse is open, however, the public is encouraged to conduct business by phone, email, mail, or online whenever possible during the COVID-19 outbreak.

**Clerk of Court/Register of Deeds- Open but closed to public except to drop off documents**

COC/Register of Deeds office is closed to the general public, however, attorneys, abstractors, and title searchers can come into the office for record searches. The office accepts recordings via mail, UPS, FEDEX, or placed in the drop box at the Clerk of Courts office. Documents can be mailed to: Bamberg Clerk of Court, PO BOX 150, Bamberg, South Carolina 29003. Please call 803-245-3025 for any assistance or questions.

**Common Pleas/General Sessions and Jury – Open but closed to public except for the following**

Court has been cancelled until May 1, 2020. All Jury trials are postponed. Jurors do not need to come to courthouse.

The Court is open for acceptance of filings and payments (including bonds), emergency hearings including, but not limited to restraining orders, orders of protection, bond, revocation/modification, and vacating of bench warrants, transmission of necessary information to SLED and/or NCIC, and Compliance with the Financial Accounting Order. Court dates may be rescheduled as is necessary and prudent. Please contact 803-245-3025 for any assistance or questions.

**Family Court- Open but closed to public except for child support payments at the window and filing documents**

Family Court has been cancelled until May 1, 2020. Family Court document filing and child support payments/purge payments can be made at the Clerk of Courts office window by cash payments only.

Child Support payments by check, money order or employee garnishments must be sent to the South Carolina State Disbursement Unit and mailed to: South Carolina State Disbursement Unit, PO Box 100302, Columbia, SC 29202-3302. Support payors can find additional information about the State Disbursement Unit and other payments options at [www.dss.sc.gov/child-support](http://www.dss.sc.gov/child-support). If you have questions about when or how to make payments to the State Disbursement Unit please contact State Disbursement Unit Customer Service Center at 800-768-5858.

Please call 803-245-3025 for any assistance or questions. Information is also available on the Bamberg County website <http://www.bambergcountysc.gov/clerk-of-court>.

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