

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF YAZOO COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

RE: MARCH 2025 TERM OF COURT

ORDER

19-1000

THIS MATTER is before the Court on the Court's Motion concerning the March Term of Court in Yazoo County. The Court will endeavor to move the cases to final resolution during the term. The term will begin on Monday, March 17, 2025, therefore, Defense Attorneys are to report to the Court on March 13, 2025, in writing, whether your clients will enter a plea or go to trial. You are to report in Court on March 17 at 12:00 p. m. on the final status of your cases for the March Term of Court. **Please have your clients present in court, if they are not in MDOC and need transporting.** The State and Defense Attorneys should have abided by the deadline in the arraignment orders and must be ready for status on Monday, March 17, 2025. The Court will have its final status conference on March 17, 2025. The Defense must know at that time whether they will accept the final offer. I need to know your client's final decision on March 17, 2025. The status report will assist the Court in setting cases for trial on days where all defendants enter a guilty plea. This will hopefully prevent wasted court days. In the event the first setting enters an open plea on the morning of trial, the other settings should be present and ready for trial.

You are ordered to be mindful and abide by the Court's standing orders on scheduling of criminal motions, psychological evaluation and omnibus hearings. The criminal status conferences are set for Defense Attorneys and the District Attorney to meet with the Court on Monday, March 17, 2025 at 12:00 p. m. to report the status of all cases set on the March Docket.

The following Defense Attorneys are hereby ordered to be present:

Alva Taylor Belinda Stevens Marcus Williams Ursula Mitchell

T. Murry Whalen Edward Blackmon Damon Stevenson Dennis Sweet, IV

David Valentine Merrida Coxwell Tommy Savant Joe Hollomon J. Michael Duncan

The District Attorney, and the Attorney General's offices are also ordered to be present at the status conference, prepared to report on the State's position.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Court will hear pleas on Friday, March 21, 2025 at 9:00 a. m. All other pleas heard after March 21, 2025 will be open pleas. If an attorney cannot be present for status conference, and only have one or two cases on the docket, he or she can call the court administrator on Friday, March 14, 2025 with the final status.

The parties failing to abide by this Court's order shall be subject to contempt proceeding, which may result in the payment of jury fees and other sanctions.

ORDERED this 3 day of February, 2025.


CIRCUIT JUDGE

**YAZOO COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT
MARCH 2025 TERM**

MONDAY, MARCH 17, 2025

9:00 a. m. – Impanel Jury

10:00 a. m. – Criminal Motions

12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p. m. – Status Conference with District Attorney & Defense Attorneys

TUESDAY, MARCH 18, 2025

9:00 a. m. - Civil Motions

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19, 2025

#24-2706-1 – State of Mississippi vs. Kendrick Myers, Ct. I Murder and Ct. II Attempted Murder	Belinda Stevens
#24-2706-2 – State of Mississippi vs. James Banks, Jr., Ct. I Murder and Ct. II Attempted Murder	Marcus Williams
#24-2675 – State of Mississippi vs. Rhonda Kuriger, Introduction of Contraband into a Correctional Facility	David Valentine
#2018-2272A – State of Mississippi vs. Demarcus Robinson, Burglary of a Dwelling (BW)	Marcus Williams
#2013-1527 – State of Mississippi vs. James Thomas Lucas, Possession of Controlled Substance (BW)	Ursula Mitchell
#2015-1869 – State of Mississippi vs. Kordarious Allen, Burglary of a Residence (BW)	Alva Taylor
#22-2557 – State of Mississippi vs. Michael Colby Stevens, Ct. I Kidnapping, Ct. II Domestic Violence (BW)	Belinda Stevens
#20-2413 – State of Mississippi vs. Mario Jones, Possession of Contraband (BW)	Ursula Mitchell

THURSDAY, MARCH 20, 2025

#23-2595 – State of Mississippi vs. Oskat Lee Newton, First Degree Murder	Marcus Williams
#22-2515 – State of Mississippi vs. Wesley Littleton, Murder	Merrida Coxwell
#20-2360 – State of Mississippi vs. Jimmy Allen, Cts. I-VI Statutory Rape	Belinda Stevens
#22-2563 – State of Mississippi vs. Brittany Toliver, Domestic Violence – Aggravated Assault	Ursula Mitchell
#20-2421 – State of Mississippi vs. Aaron Walker, Ct. I Attempted Murder, Ct. II Armed Robbery, Ct III Shooting into an Occupied Dwelling, Ct. IV Aggravated Assault (BW)	Belinda Stevens
#2013-1671A – State of Mississippi vs. Preston E. Johnson, Ct. I Conspiracy and Ct. II Possession of Marijuana (BW)	Ursula Mitchell

FRIDAY, MARCH 21, 2025

9:00 a. m. – Pleas

MONDAY, MARCH 24, 2025

#23-2655 – State of Mississippi vs. Johnny House, Ct. I Murder, Ct. II-VI Aggravated Assault	Tommy Savant
#24-2705 – 1 – State of Mississippi vs. Beranna Phillips, Attempted Murder	Dennis Sweet, IV
#24-2679 – State of Mississippi vs. Curtis Brown, Ct. I Sexual Battery, Ct. II Aggravated Assault	Joe Hollomon
#24-2689 – State of Mississippi vs. DeWayne McCullum, Enticement of a Minor	Belinda Stevens

TUESDAY, MARCH 25, 2025

#24-2701-1 – State of Mississippi vs. Jose Johnson, Felony Child Abuse T. Murry Whalen

#24-2701-2 – State of Mississippi vs. Samantha Strickland Johnson,
Felony Child Abuse T. Murry Whalen

#23-2654 – State of Mississippi vs. Patrick Hudson, Jr.,
Ct. I Enticement of a Child to Meet for Sexual Purpose,
Ct. II Molesting-Touching Child for Lustful Purpose, Ct. III Rape Marcus Williams

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 26, 2025

#CI22-52 – Robert Flanagan vs. Smith Teguonor Majemite Omonuwa, MS., et al
(Atty. Crymes Pittman/Atty. Leo Carmody, Jr. & Atty. D. Collier Graham)

#24-2683 – State of Mississippi vs. Akyrion Phillips, Cts. I-II Aggravated Assault,
Cts. III-V Shooting into a Dwelling House,
Cts. VI-XV Aggravated Assault Belinda Stevens

#24-2704-1 – State of Mississippi vs. James Collum, III,
Ct. I Aggravated Assault Belinda Stevens

#24-2704-2 – State of Mississippi vs. Lakesha Collum,
Ct. II Aggravated Assault Marcus Williams

#24-2704-3 – State of Mississippi vs. Roteisha Collum,
Ct. III Aggravated Assault Ursula Mitchell

THURSDAY, MARCH 27, 2025

#21-38 – Emery Milton vs. Angela Williams, et al
(Atty. Clayton Gestes/Atty. M. James Weems & Atty. Mark C. Carroll)

#22-2523 – State of Mississippi vs. Calvin Williams, Attempted Murder Edward Blackmon

#24-2668 – State of Mississippi vs. Lazavion Fleming, Aggravated Assault Damon Stevenson

FRIDAY, MARCH 28, 2025

#22-2498 – State of Mississippi vs. Henry Mayze, Jr., Felony Fleeing Belinda Stevens
#23-2597 – State of Mississippi vs. Jadarrion Ross, Possession of a Controlled
Substance with Intent/Firearm Enhancement Alva Taylor

MONDAY, MARCH 31, 2025

#24-2703-1 – State of Mississippi vs. Elijah Savell, Ct. I Capital Murder,
Ct. II Armed Robbery Alva Taylor
#24-2703-2 – State of Mississippi vs. Darrell Taylor, Ct. I Capital Murder,
Ct. II Armed Robbery Belinda Stevens
#24-2687 – State of Mississippi vs. John Emfinger, Child Molestation
(Gratification of Lust) Tommy Savant

TUESDAY, APRIL 1, 2025

#24-2709 - State of Mississippi vs. Ben Swan, III,
Child Molestation (Gratification of Lust) J. Michael Duncan
#23-2622 – State of Mississippi vs. Calvin Williams, Ct. I Aggravated Assault,
Ct. II Attempted Murder Edward Blackmon
#24-2695 – State of Mississippi vs. Jamie Warren, Aggravated Assault Alva Taylor

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2, 2025

#24-2699 – State of Mississippi vs. Jermie Porter, Murder Joe Hollomon
#24-2714 – State of Mississippi vs. Destiny Williams,
Ct. I Burglary of a Dwelling, Ct. II Arson Ursula Mitchell
#24-2722 – State of Mississippi vs. Joe Walker,
Child Molestation (Gratification of Lust) Belinda Stevens

THURSDAY, APRIL 3, 2025

#24-2724 – State of Mississippi vs. Robert Buie, Grand Larceny Belinda Stevens

#24-2728 – State of Mississippi vs. Walter Young, Ct. I Aggravated Domestic Violence,
Ct. II Kidnapping, Ct. III Attempted Rape, Ct. IV Burglary of a Dwelling
Ct. V. Aggravated Domestic Violence Marcus Williams

FRIDAY, APRIL 4, 2025

#24-2717-1 State of Mississippi vs. Gary Dunn, Possession of Stolen Vehicle Ursula Mitchell

MONDAY, APRIL 7, 2025

#24-2727 – State of Mississippi vs. Adrian J. Hill, Ct. I Sexual Battery,
Ct. II Child Exploitation Dennis Sweet, IV

#23-2634 – State of Mississippi vs. James Collum, Rape Alva Taylor

#24-2710 – State of Mississippi vs. John Coghlan,
Ct. I Possession of Controlled Substance, Ct. II Elder Abuse Alva Taylor

TUESDAY, APRIL 8, 2025

#24-2709 – State of Mississippi vs. Kimberly Evans, Felony Child Abuse Marcus Williams

#24-2719 – State of Mississippi vs. Tommy Jenkins, Attempted Grand Larceny Ursula Mitchell

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9, 2025

#24-2716 – State of Mississippi vs. Tracey Wardley, Jr., Murder Belinda Stevens

#20-2404 – State of Mississippi vs. Johnathan Alexander, Aggravated Assault Alva Taylor

THURSDAY, APRIL 10, 2025

#2018-2209 – State of Mississippi vs. John Sullivan, Burglary of a Dwelling Alva Taylor

#2018-2210 – State of Mississippi vs. John Sullivan, Grand Larceny Alva Taylor

FRIDAY, APRIL 11, 2025

9:00 a. m. – Arraignments

11:00 a. m. – Appeal Cases