



# THE STATE OF GEORGIA

## EXECUTIVE ORDER

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BY THE GOVERNOR:

**APPOINTING AN INVESTIGATIVE COMMITTEE FOR  
THE OFFICE OF PULASKI COUNTY SHERIFF**

**WHEREAS:** By letter dated June 29, 2022, the Georgia Sheriffs' Association has requested the appointment of a committee under Code Section 15-16-26 to investigate Pulaski County Sheriff Danny Brannen; and

**WHEREAS:** Per its request, the Georgia Sheriffs' Association has been informed that Sheriff Brannen is not performing all the duties required by his office due to incapacity; and

**WHEREAS:** The Executive Committee of the Georgia Sheriffs' Association believes an investigation is warranted after inquiring into Sheriff Brannen's capacity to perform the functions of his office; and

**WHEREAS:** Pursuant to the Georgia Sheriffs' Association Executive Committee's request, as authorized by Code Section 15-16-26(a), I have determined that an investigation of Sheriff Brannen should be made due to the alleged incapacity of Sheriff Brannen to perform the functions of his office; and

**WHEREAS:** Code Section 15-16-26(a) provides that two sheriffs who are members of the Georgia Sheriffs' Association shall be appointed to conduct the investigation along with the Attorney General.

**NOW, THEREFORE, PURSUANT TO CODE SECTION 15-16-26 AND THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME AS THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA, IT IS HEREBY**

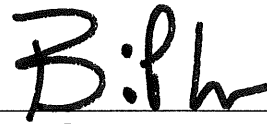
**ORDERED:** That Attorney General Christopher Carr, Sheriff Ezell Brown of Newton County, and Sheriff Clay Whittle of Columbia County are hereby appointed as the committee to investigate the alleged incapacity of Sheriff Brannen to perform the functions of the Pulaski County Sheriff's Office.

**IT IS FURTHER**

**ORDERED:**

That the committee shall make a report of its investigation to me within thirty (30) days of the date of this Order.

This 8<sup>th</sup> day of July 2022.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bill", written over a horizontal line.

GOVERNOR