



THE STATE OF GEORGIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER

BY THE GOVERNOR:

WHEREAS: On June 18, 2024, Ms. Stephanie Woodard, Solicitor General of Hall County, was indicted by the Attorney General of Georgia on thirteen counts of False Statements and Writings and eleven counts of Theft by Taking; and

WHEREAS: A certified copy of the indictment was transmitted to the Governor pursuant to Code Section 45-5-6(b), and received on June 18, 2024; and

WHEREAS: The fourteen-day period following receipt of the indictment as prescribed by Code Section 45-5-6(e) has passed; and

WHEREAS: Pursuant to Code Section 45-5-6(b), because the Attorney General brought forth the indictment against Ms. Woodard, the Attorney General shall not serve on the commission, and a retired Supreme Court Justice or retired Court of Appeals Judge shall serve in place of the Attorney General.

NOW, THEREFORE, PURSUANT TO CODE SECTION 45-5-6, AND THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME AS GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA, IT IS HEREBY

ORDERED: That the Honorable Harold Melton, retired Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Georgia; Ms. Ann Pickett, Solicitor General of Stephens County; and Mr. Keith Gammage, Solicitor General of Fulton County are hereby appointed as the review commission to determine whether the above-mentioned indictment relates to and adversely affects the administration of duties by Ms. Woodard such that the rights and interests of the public are adversely affected thereby, and to make a written report to me within fourteen days with a recommendation as to whether Ms. Woodard should be suspended from office as required by Code Section 45-5-6(c).

This 12th day of July 2024.

GOVERNOR