

IN THE STATE COURT OF BRYAN COUNTY
STATE OF GEORGIA

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IN RE: CELL PHONES
IN THE COURTROOM

Rebecca G. Crowe
Clerk of Courts
Bryan County, Georgia


STANDING ORDER

WHEREAS, this Court is vested with the authority to maintain practices and standing orders to promulgate internal processes of the Court in matters which are not susceptible to uniformity, which relate only to internal procedure and which do not affect the rights of any party substantially, or materially. U.S.C.R. 1.2; Best Jewelry Mfg. Co., Inc. v. Reed Elsevier, Inc., 334 Ga. App. 826, 780 S.E.2d 689 (2015).

WHEREAS, it appears that Defendants bring cell phones into the courtroom and that action frequently interferes with the processes of the court, **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that, with the exception of court personnel and attorneys, no party may bring a cell phone into the Bryan County State Court courtroom unless an exception is approved by this Court.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, the Bryan County Sheriff Department will have primary responsibility to confiscate any device from any person who attempts to enter the courtroom with a device. Any person who refuses to remove the device or cooperate with the Sheriff Department may be excluded from the courtroom and be held in contempt.

SO ORDERED this the 23rd day of May 2023.



Billy E. Tomlinson
Judge, Bryan County State Court
Atlantic Judicial Circuit