

This lawsuit is about Fulton County residents and court users having the most efficient experience possible in the busiest Magistrate Court in Georgia. Currently, the limited resources of the court, coupled with a non-compliant appointed Clerk, present significant obstacles in the following areas:

Employees budgeted for the court are assigned to cover other tasks, which delays customer service, including answering inquiries via phone, document processing and filing time for citizens utilizing the court. Currently, a court user has to navigate between three separate locations when utilizing Fulton County Magistrate Court. This creates unnecessary confusion and additional bureaucracy for a population of primarily pro se litigants. As a result, deadlines are missed and at times, even court dates.

Since 2017, I have attempted to increase innovation, efficiency and user accessibility. Those efforts are being severely hampered by the appointed Clerk and create adverse effects for those seeking remedy through the court. Fulton County deserves better. After several failed attempts at resolution, the mandamus action is the only option left to the Magistrate Court.