



# THE STATE OF GEORGIA

## EXECUTIVE ORDER

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BY THE GOVERNOR:

**WHEREAS:** On February 12, 2018, the Grand Jury of Schley County returned a True Bill of Indictment against Macon County Sheriff Charles M. Cannon, II on one charge of Sexual Battery; and

**WHEREAS:** Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 15-16-26, upon "criminal charges, alleged misconduct in office, or alleged incapacity of the sheriff to perform the functions of his office," the Governor has the authority to appoint an investigative committee consisting of the Attorney General and two sheriffs who are members of the Georgia Sheriff's Association.

**NOW THEREFORE, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME AS GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA, IT IS HEREBY**

**ORDERED:** That Attorney General Chris Carr, Sheriff Jud Smith of Barrow County, and Sheriff Gary Gulledge of Paulding County are hereby appointed as the committee to investigate "criminal charges, alleged misconduct in office, or alleged incapacity" as it relates to Sheriff Cannon.

**IT IS FURTHER**

**ORDERED:** That the committee shall make a report of its investigation to me within 30 days of the date of this Executive Order.

This 1<sup>st</sup> day of March, 2018.

*Nathan Deal*

GOVERNOR