



# THE STATE OF GEORGIA

## EXECUTIVE ORDER

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BY THE GOVERNOR:

**WHEREAS:** On November 13, 2017, acting on the recommendation submitted by the commission appointed to review the indictment of Worth County Sheriff Jeff Hobby, an Executive Order was issued suspending Mr. Hobby from the office of Sheriff of Worth County; and

**WHEREAS:** Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 45-5-6(d)(1), there being no general or local law, ordinance, or resolution governing the filling of a temporary vacancy in the office of Sheriff of Worth County, the Governor is authorized to appoint, for the duration of the suspension, a replacement for the Sheriff; and

**WHEREAS:** On November 14, 2017, Executive Order 11.14.17.01 was issued appointing Mr. Bobby G. Sapp to fill the temporary vacancy in the office of Sheriff of Worth County; and

**WHEREAS:** Due to medical necessity Interim Sheriff Sapp has submitted his letter of resignation, effective March 23, 2018.

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

**ORDERED:** That pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 45-5-6(d)(1), Mr. Donald Whitaker is appointed, effective March 23, 2018, to fill the temporary vacancy in the office of Sheriff of Worth County pending the final disposition of the charges against Mr. Jeff Hobby or until the expiration of his term of office, whichever occurs first.

This 14<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2018.

*Nathan Deal*

GOVERNOR