

COUNTY SERVICES

Mandated and Discretionary

Court System

1. State Court**
 - (a) Trial of civil claims** *O.C.G.A. § 15-7-4(a)(2)*
 - (b) Trial of criminal prosecutions** *O.C.G.A. § 15-7-4(a)(1), (b)*
 - (c) Solicitor-general** *O.C.G.A. § 15-18-60, § 15-18-66*
 - (d) Issuance of warrants** *O.C.G.A. § 15-7-4(a)(3)*
 - (e) Indigent defense services** *O.C.G.A. § 17-12-1, § 17-12-23, § 17-12-24*
2. Probate Court**
 - (a) Probate wills** *O.C.G.A. § 15-9-30(a)(1)*
 - (b) Letters of testamentary and administration** *O.C.G.A. § 15-9-30 (a)(2)*
 - (c) Disposition of deceased persons' property** *O.C.G.A. § 15-9-30 (a)(4)*
 - (d) Perform marriages/issue licenses** *O.C.G.A. § 15-9-30(b)(7)*
 - (e) Commitment of guardianship** *O.C.G.A. § 15-9-30(a)(5)*
 - (f) Handle traffic violations *O.C.G.A. § 15-9-30(b)(8)*
 - (g) Commitment hearings** *O.C.G.A. § 15-9-30(b)(10)*
 - (h) Administer fish & game laws** *O.C.G.A. § 15-9-30(b)(9)*
 - (i) Supervise elections *O.C.G.A. § 15-9-30(b)(2)*
 - (j) Weapons carry permits** *O.C.G.A. § 16-11-129*
 - (k) Indigent defense services *O.C.G.A. § 17-12-1, § 17-12-23, § 17-12-24*
 - (l) Vital records custodian *O.C.G.A. § 31-10-6*
3. Superior Court**
 - (a) District attorney** *O.C.G.A. § 15-18-6*
 - (b) Bailiffs** *O.C.G.A. § 15-6-35*
 - (c) Trial of criminal prosecutions** *O.C.G.A. § 15-6-8(1)*
 - (d) Trial of civil claims** *O.C.G.A. § 15-6-8(1)*
 - (f) Indigent defense services** *O.C.G.A. § 15-6-77(d)*
4. Magistrate Court**
 - (a) Trial of civil claims** *O.C.G.A. § 15-10-2(5)*
 - (b) Issuance of warrants** *O.C.G.A. § 15-10-2(1)*
 - (c) Trial of ordinance violations** *O.C.G.A. § 15-10-2(4)*
 - (d) Indigent defense services** *O.C.G.A. § 17-12-1, § 17-12-23, § 17-12-24*
5. Juvenile Court**
 - (a) Generally *O.C.G.A. §§ 15-11-50, 52, 54, 55, 63 and 65*
 - (b) Probation and intake *O.C.G.A. § 15-11-66*
 - (b) Delinquency proceedings** *O.C.G.A. § 15-11-470 et seq.*
 - (b) Appointment of guardians** *O.C.G.A. § 15-11-30.1*
 - (c) Dependency proceedings** *O.C.G.A. §§ 15-11-100 et seq.*
 - (d) Emancipation of minors** *O.C.G.A. § 15-11-103*
 - (e) Termination of parental rights** *O.C.G.A. § 15-11-262*
 - (f) Medical care for juveniles in custody** *O.C.G.A. § 15-11-13, § 15-11-62(b)(5)*
 - (g) Juvenile counseling** *O.C.G.A. § 15-11-57, § 15-11-62(b)(5)*
 - (h) CHINS proceedings** *O.C.G.A. § 15-11-380 et seq.*
 - (h) Indigent defense services** *O.C.G.A. § 15-11-6*
6. Coroner or medical examiner** *O.C.G.A. § 45-16-1*
7. Superior Court Clerk**
 - (a) Civil case management** *O.C.G.A. § 15-6-61(a)(4)(A)*
 - (b) Criminal case management** *O.C.G.A. § 15-6-61(a)(4)(B)*
 - (c) Recording of maps and plats** *O.C.G.A. § 15-6-67*
 - (d) Recording of deeds, liens, executions
evidencing real property** *O.C.G.A. §§ 15-6-61(a)(4)(C)*
 - (e) Maintain grantor-grantee property index** *O.C.G.A. § 15-6-66*

(f) Jury pools**	O.C.G.A. § 15-12-40, § 15-12-43
(g) Recording military service records**	O.C.G.A. § 15-6-72
(h) Collect fees and fine add-ons for the State of Georgia**	O.C.G.A. § 15-6-60(2),(4), § 15-6-61(a)(14)
(i) Record business records/financing statements**	O.C.G.A. §§ 15-6-61(a)(13) and (14)
(j) Supervise boards of equalization**	O.C.G.A. § 48-5-311 (d)
(k) CHINS/data collection**	O.C.G.A. § 15-11-64
County Boards of Health**	O.C.G.A. Title 31 (Chapter 3)
Physical health, disease control, environmental health, sanitation, septic tanks, on-site sewage	O.C.G.A. § 31-3-4, § 31-3-2.1, § 31-3-5, § 31-3-9, § 31-3-10, § 31-3-14
Vital records (birth/death records, etc.) **	O.C.G.A. § 31-10-1 et seq.
Mental Health/Addictive Diseases/Disability Services	
1. Regional Planning Boards/Disability Services	O.C.G.A. § 37-2-5 et seq.
2. Community Service Boards	O.C.G.A. § 37-2-6 et seq.
3. Mental Health Services**	O.C.G.A. §§ 37-3-120, 121, and 122
4. Developmental Disabilities/Habilitation**	O.C.G.A. §§ 37-4-80, 81 and 82, §§ 37-5-4, 5 and 6
5. Alcoholism/Drug Dependency**	O.C.G.A. §§ 37-120-121 and 122
Public Assistance and Family Services	
1. DFACS	O.C.G.A. § 49-3-1, § 49-3-5, § 49-3-6
2. Indigent health care	O.C.G.A. § 31-8-1, § 36-5-22.1, § 48-5-220 and (19)
3. Emergency services for women in labor**	O.C.G.A. § 31-8-42
4. Support of paupers	O.C.G.A. § 36-12-1 et seq.
5. Interment of deceased indigents**	O.C.G.A. § 36-12-5
Public hospitals / support for hospitals	O.C.G.A. § 31-7-75
Emergency/disaster management**	O.C.G.A. § 38-3-27
Property tax appraisal**	O.C.G.A. § 48-5-263, § 48-5-264
Tax appeals/board of equalization**	O.C.G.A. § 48-5-311
Tax commissioner**	
1. Prepare property tax digest**	O.C.G.A. § 48-5-274
2. Collect taxes**	O.C.G.A. § 48-5-127
3. Adjudicate tax liens/delinquent collection**	O.C.G.A. § 48-5-146, § 48-5-161
4. License tags**	O.C.G.A. § 40-2-23
County law library	O.C.G.A. § 36-15-4 (All of Chapter 15)
Elections and registration**	O.C.G.A. § 21-2-40, § 21-2-70, § 21-2-215
Cooperative Extension Service	O.C.G.A. § 2-6-5
Sheriff**	
1. Transportation of inmates**	O.C.G.A. § 42-4-4(a)(3)
2. Concealed weapons permit fingerprinting**	O.C.G.A. § 16-11-129
3. Transportation of mentally ill**	O.C.G.A. § 37-3-101
4. Jail management**	O.C.G.A. § 42-4-4
5. Court security and related duties**	O.C.G.A. § 15-16-10(a)(10)
6. Serves papers**	O.C.G.A. § 15-16-10(a)(1)
7. Collects delinquent taxes**	O.C.G.A. § 48-5-161(c)(2)
8. Law enforcement/patrol**	O.C.G.A. § 15-16-1, O.C.G.A. § 15-16-10(a)(8), (c)
Jail**	O.C.G.A. § 42-4-4 (Chapter 4)
Law enforcement: county police	O.C.G.A. § 36-8-1, § 36-8-5
Law enforcement: dive team	
Law enforcement: investigations	O.C.G.A. § 35-3-8.1
Law enforcement: drug task forces	
Fire protection	O.C.G.A. § 25-3-1 (All of Chapter 3)

Senior services	<i>O.C.G.A. § 49-6-2, 3; § 49-6-62</i>
Water supply	<i>O.C.G.A. § 12-5-472, § 12-5-476</i>
Water quality	<i>O.C.G.A. § 36-34-5</i>
Sewage collection	<i>O.C.G.A. § 36-34-5</i>
Sewage treatment	<i>O.C.G.A. § 36-34-5</i>
Solid waste collection	<i>O.C.G.A. § 12-8-31.1</i>
Solid waste disposal	<i>O.C.G.A. § 12-8-31.1</i>
Erosion and sedimentation control	<i>O.C.G.A. § 12-7-4, § 12-7-6</i>
Stormwater management	<i>O.C.G.A. § 12-7-4, § 12-7-6</i>
Libraries	<i>O.C.G.A. § 36-34-5.1</i>
Cable TV/cable franchising	<i>O.C.G.A. § 36-18-2, 3</i>
Animal control	
1. Dangerous dog control**	<i>O.C.G.A. § 4-8-22</i>
Road and street lighting	<i>O.C.G.A. § 32-4-41</i>
Airports	<i>O.C.G.A. § 6-3-20</i>
911 Services	<i>O.C.G.A. § 46-5-124, § 46-5-133, § 46-5-</i>
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Public transportation	<i>O.C.G.A. § 32-9-11, § 32-9-2(b)</i>
Planning & zoning	<i>O.C.G.A. § 36-66-2</i>
GIS	<i>O.C.G.A. § 36-22-13, § 36-22-8(a)</i>
Building inspections	<i>O.C.G.A. § 8-2-26</i>
Economic development	<i>O.C.G.A. § 50-7-8(8), (10)</i>
Public housing	<i>O.C.G.A. § 8-3-30, § 8-3-106</i>
Ambulance/paramedic services	<i>O.C.G.A. § 31-11-1</i>
Street & bridge maintenance and construction	<i>O.C.G.A. § 32-4-41, § 36-14-1</i>
Parks & recreation	<i>O.C.G.A. § 12-3-1(a)(3), § 12-3-3(b)(1), §</i>
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