



THE STATE OF GEORGIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER

BY THE GOVERNOR:

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WHEREAS: Treutlen County Sheriff Wallace Wayne Hooks was indicted on three counts of deprivation of civil rights under color of law and one count of tampering with a witness on January 9, 2003.

WHEREAS: United States Attorney for the Southern District of Georgia Richard S. Thomson transmitted the indictment pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 45-5-6(b), and the certified copy was received on January 13, 2003.

WHEREAS: The 14-day period following receipt of the indictment prescribed by O.C.G.A. § 45-5-6(e) has now run.

I therefore appoint Attorney General Thurbert Baker, Appling County Sheriff Benny Deloach, and Tattnall County Sheriff Quinton Rush as the review commission to determine whether the indictment relates to and adversely affects the administration of the office of Sheriff held by Mr. Hooks and whether the rights and interests of the public are adversely affected thereby and to make a written report to me within 14 days with a recommendation as to whether Mr. Hooks should be suspended from office as required by O.C.G.A. § 45-5-6(c).

This 31st day of March, 2003.


GOVERNOR