



**ANDY BESHEAR**  
**GOVERNOR**

**EXECUTIVE ORDER**

**Secretary of State**  
Frankfort  
Kentucky

**2024-036**  
**January 15, 2024**

**STATE OF EMERGENCY**

Beginning on July 26, 2022, a severe weather system generating multiple rounds of heavy torrential rain, creating flooding, flash flooding, mudslides, and landslides impacted the Commonwealth of Kentucky, creating dangerous conditions and damage to public infrastructure, utility distribution systems, and private properties; and

These conditions endanger public health and safety and public and private property; and

The severe weather system took the lives of 45 Kentuckians and left hundreds of our citizens without their homes and belongings. The flooding caused hundreds of millions of dollars in property and infrastructure damage, leaving mud and debris that must be removed so rebuilding can begin; and

State and local governments share responsibility for the protection of public health, safety, and security, as well as for the protection of public and private property and for taking appropriate actions to ensure the provision of essential public services; and

On July 28, 2022, I signed Executive Order 2022-457, declaring a state of emergency in the Commonwealth of Kentucky under the Kentucky Constitution and KRS Chapter 39A. The next day, the President of the United States declared that a major disaster exists in the Commonwealth and ordered federal aid to supplement state and local recovery efforts; and

Subsequently, I signed related emergency orders relating to price gouging (Executive Orders 2022-460 and 2022-504), the dispensing of pharmaceuticals (Executive Order 2022-463), unemployment insurance claims and benefits (Executive Order 2022-471), and the suspension of certain statutory fees for duplicate state-issued operator's licenses, instruction permits, personal identification cards, and motor vehicle registrations and certificates of title (Executive Order 2022-473 and 2022-512); and

Under KRS 39A.090(2)(b), the state of emergency declared under Executive Order 2022-457 and subsequent executive orders set forth above may exceed 30 days if requested by a chief executive officer or a legislative body of a local government, only for that local government and only for the period of time requested by the chief executive officer or legislative body; and

On August 26, 2022, at the request of 33 County Judge/Executives, two Mayors of consolidated local governments, and three city Mayors that the state of emergency and certain emergency actions under it be extended until January 15, 2023, I declared by Executive Order 2022-576 that a state of emergency continued in the Commonwealth of Kentucky, and extended the following until January 15, 2023: Executive Order 2022-457, Executive Order 2022-460, Executive Order 2022-504, Executive Order 2022-463, Executive Order 2022-471, Executive Order 2022-473, and Executive Order 2022- 512; and



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On January 13, 2023, I signed Executive Order 2023-029, extending the State of Emergency and certain emergency actions relating to the July 2022 devastating flooding in Eastern Kentucky through July 31, 2023 for those local jurisdictions that requested the extension. Subsequently, an additional County Judge/Executive requested an extension of the State of Emergency and certain emergency actions related to it, and on January 16, 2023, I signed Executive Order 2023-031, extending the State of Emergency and certain emergency actions relating to the July 2022 flooding in Eastern Kentucky through July 31, 2023 for all local jurisdictions that requested the extension.

Under KRS 39A.090(2)(b), the state of emergency declared under Executive Order 2021-923 and subsequent executive orders and the emergency administrative regulation set forth above may exceed 30 days if requested by a chief executive officer or a legislative body of a local government only for that local government and only for the period of time requested by the chief executive officer or legislative body; and

On July 31, 2023, at the request of 17 County Judge/Executives and two Mayors of consolidated local governments that the state of emergency and certain emergency actions taken under it be extended through January 15, 2024, I declared by Executive order 2023-453 that a state of emergency continued in the Commonwealth of Kentucky, and extended the following until January 15, 2024: Executive Order 2022-457 and Executive Order 2022-460; and

Fifteen County Judge/Executives and one Mayor of a consolidated local government have written letters requesting that I extend the state of emergency and certain emergency actions under it, as extended by Executive Order 2023-453, through June 30, 2024. These letters are attached to this executive order and are adopted and incorporated by reference herein; and

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Andy Beshear, Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution of Kentucky and by KRS Chapter 39A, do hereby declare that a State of Emergency continues to exist in the Commonwealth of Kentucky and do hereby **ORDER** and **DIRECT** that Executive Order Executive Order 2022-457 and Executive Order 2022-460, as extended through Executive Order 2023-453, be extended through June 30, 2024, in the following local jurisdictions:

Bath County  
Breathitt County  
Clay County  
Hart County  
Knott County  
Leslie County  
Letcher County  
Louisville Jefferson County Metro Government  
Magoffin County  
Martin County  
McCreary County  
Menifee County  
Nelson County



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Nicholas County  
Perry County  
Pike County

This order is effective January 15, 2024.

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ANDY BESHEAR, Governor  
Commonwealth of Kentucky



A handwritten signature of Michael G. Adams in black ink, written over a horizontal line.

MICHAEL G. ADAMS  
Secretary of State

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MICHAEL G. ADAMS  
SECRETARY OF STATE  
COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
BY Catherine Johnson

*Bath County Judge / Executive*

**Forrest McKenzie**

Bath County Courthouse

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Phone 606-674-6346  
[bathcountyje@outlook.com](mailto:bathcountyje@outlook.com)

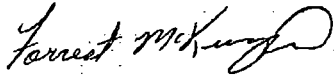
January 12, 2024

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Respectfully submitted,



Forrest McKenzie  
Bath County Judge/Executive

BREATHITT COUNTY

FISCAL COURT

(606) 666-3800, Ext. 224

Breathitt County Judge Executive  
Jeff Noble  
1137 Main Street  
Jackson, Kentucky 41339

[jeff.noble@breathitt.org](mailto:jeff.noble@breathitt.org)

BREATHITT COUNTY

FISCAL COURT

Fax: (606) 272-6735

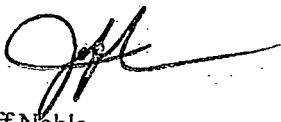
January 10, 2024

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Thank you,



Jeff Noble  
Breathitt County Judge Executive



*Tommy Harmon*  
*Clay County Judge/Executive*

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tommy Harmon", is written over a printed name.

Tommy Harmon

Clay County Judge Executive



JOE CHOATE  
Hart County Judge/Executive

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joe Choate", is written over a horizontal line. The signature is fluid and cursive.

Joe Choate  
Hart County Judge Executive

Hart County Fiscal Court | 200 Main Street | P.O. Box 490 | Munfordville, KY 42765 | 270-524-5219 | 270-524-9732 FAX

KATE KENNY  
1st District Magistrate

RICKY ALVEY  
2nd District Magistrate

RONALD RIORDAN  
3rd District Magistrate

DOUG WELLS  
4th District Magistrate

LEE MILES  
5th District Magistrate

## Knott County Fiscal Court

**Jeff Dobson**  
Judge Executive  
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Hindman KY 41822



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jdobson@knottky.com

January 12, 2024

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Jeff Dobson

Knott County Judge Executive



COUNTY OF LESLIE  
OFFICE OF THE COUNTY JUDGE EXECUTIVE

WILLIAM R. LEWIS  
COUNTY JUDGE EXECUTIVE

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ROSCOE ASHER- MAGISTRATE DISTRICT 2  
DUSTY BAKER-MAGISTRATE DISTRICT 3  
JOHN E. NEWELL-MAGISTRATE DISTRICT 4  
ONZIE SIZMORE- COUNTY CLERK

Governor Andy Beshear  
700 Capitol Avenue  
Suite 100  
Frankfort, Kentucky 40601

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Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "William R. Lewis".

William R. Lewis  
County Judge-Executive



# *Letcher County Fiscal Court*

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Whitesburg, Kentucky 41858

Terry Adams, Letcher County Judge Executive

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MAGISTRATES:

Jack Banks, District 1 • Kenny Anderson, District 2  
Debra Collier, District 3 • William C. Smith, District 4 • Bennie McCall, District 5

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Sincerely,

Terry Adams  
Letcher County Judge/Executive



**Magoffin County Judge/Executive**

**Matthew C. Wireman**

**P.O. Box 430**

**Salyersville, KY 41465**

**Phone 606-349-2313 Fax 606-349-2109**

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Sincerely,

Matthew Wireman

Magoffin County Judge/Executive



**Dr. Lon E. Lafferty**  
**Martin County Judge Executive**

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Inez, KY 41224  
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Sincerely,

Lon Lafferty  
Martin County Judge/Executive

OFFICE OF THE JUDGE/EXECUTIVE  
**McCREARY COUNTY**  
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JIMMIE W. GREENE II  
COUNTY JUDGE EXECUTIVE

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January 11, 2024

Dear Governor Beshear:

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Sincerely,

Jimmie W. Greene II  
McCreary County Judge/Executive

**Menifee County Fiscal Court  
Rick Stiltner, Judge Executive  
12 Main Street, PO Box 105  
Frenchburg, Kentucky 40322  
menifeecojudge@mrtc.com; Stiltner\_r@bellsouth.net  
Office: 606-768-3482**

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**Rick Stiltner  
Menifee County Judge Executive**

**Nelson County – Kentucky**

**Tim Hutchins – County Judge Executive**

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Magistrate District #3: MT Harned  
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Magistrate District #5: Jon Snow

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Suite 100  
Frankfort, KY 40601

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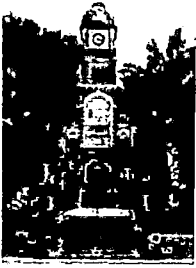
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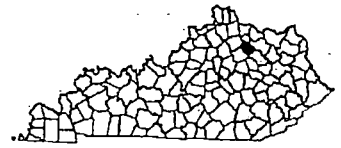
Sincerely,

Tim Hutchins  
Nelson County Judge Executive

TH/cmb



Steve Hamilton  
Judge Executive Office  
Nicholas County  
Carlisle, KY 40311  
(859)289-3725



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Sincerely,

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Steve Hamilton  
County Judge Executive

Office of the County Judge – Executive  
Scott Alexander



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1/11/2024

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Thanks for all you do for us!

Scott Alexander  
Perry County Judge Executive



## *Office of Pike County Judge/Executive*

RAY S. JONES, II

PIKE COUNTY COURTHOUSE  
146 MAIN STREET  
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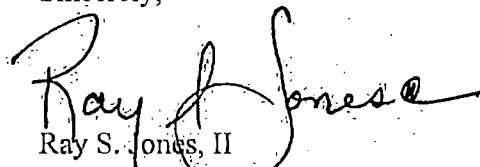
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Sincerely,

  
Ray S. Jones, II  
Pike County Judge/Executive