

Superior Court Minutes  
Honorable Sheryl B. Jolly, Judge Presiding  
Jury Trial  
Thursday, January 29, 2026  
Courtroom II  
Court Reporter: Brittany Haskell  
Assistant District Attorney: Amber Brantley  
Deputy Clerk: Ashley Tucker

9:04 a.m. Court is in session.

The following case continues trial.

Case number: 2025CR0937

The State

Vs.

Michael Gary Poole, Defendant

State of Georgia is represented by Assistant District Attorney Amber Brantley  
Defendant is represented by Attorney J. Todd Mitchell

9:05 a.m. Judge Jolly administers oath to bailiff.

9:12 a.m. Impaneled jurors enter the courtroom

1. John Landers
2. Charles Thompson IV
3. Robert Reynolds Sr
4. Rebecca Alwine
5. Edith Caroline Johnston
6. Jay Patel
7. Syed Ibrahimi
8. Joshua Brown
9. Steve Davidson
10. David Ramos
11. Patricia Parrish
12. Michael Brown
13. JennaClare Calhoun – Alternate 1
14. Zachary Boulineau – Alternate 2

9:13 a.m. Assistant District Attorney Amber Brantley continues presenting her case on behalf of the state.

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9:40 a.m. Jury exits the courtroom; Court hears matters outside the presence of the jury.

9:43 a.m. Jury enters the courtroom; Assistant District Attorney Amber Brantley continues presenting her case on behalf of the state.

9:46 a.m. Jury exits the courtroom; Court hears matters outside the presence of the jury.

9:49 a.m. Jury enters the courtroom; Assistant District Attorney Amber Brantley continues presenting her case on behalf of the state.

10:08 a.m. The State rest.

10:08 a.m. Jury exits the courtroom; Court hears matters outside the presence of the jury.

10:09 a.m. Defendant's Attorney Todd Mitchell motions for a direct verdict; Motion denied.

10:12 a.m. Court conducts charge conference.

10:47 a.m. Jury enters the courtroom

10:47 a.m. Attorney Todd Mitchell begins presenting his case on behalf of the defendant.

11:19 a.m. The defense rest.

11:20 a.m. The state rebuttals.

11:24 a.m. The State rest.

11:25 a.m. Jury exits the courtroom; Court hears matters outside the presence of the jury.

11:26 a.m. Court is in recess until 12:25 p.m.

12:26 p.m. Court is back in session.

12:31 p.m. Jury enters the courtroom.

12:32 p.m. State reserves opening of closing statements.

12:32 p.m. Attorney Todd Mitchell conducts closing statements.

1:15 p.m. Jury exits the courtroom; Court is in recess.

1:28 p.m. Jury enters the court room.  
Assistant District Attorney Amber Brantley conducts closing statements.

1:57 p.m. Judge Jolly charges the jury.

2:16 p.m. Jury exits the courtroom to begin deliberation.

2:22 p.m. Court begins calendar call.

2:37 p.m. Court begins order to show cause hearing for the state attorney's office.

2:41 p.m. Court begins sentencing.

4:11 p.m. Jury has a question.

4:13 p.m. Judge Jolly reads question from the jury.

Court continues sentencing.

4:41 p.m. Jury has a question.

4:44 p.m. Judge Jolly excuses the jury for the day with instructions to report back tomorrow morning at 9:00 a.m.

4:45 p.m. Court is adjourned.