

Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Court of Appeals

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ORDER OF THE CHIEF JUSTICE SUSPENDING TIMING REQUIREMENTS FOR APPEALS

The Little River Band of Ottawa Indians, a federally recognized American Indian Tribe and sovereign Native Nation, has closed the Tribal Government until March 30, 2020.

Pursuant to the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Constitution, the Judicial Branch is an independent branch of government that is governed by that Constitution, Little River Band of Ottawa Indians laws, the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Court Rules, other organizing documents of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians, and federal law when it specifically applies to Native Nations.

The timing requirements in Chapter 5 of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Appellate Court Rules for the filing of appeals shall be stayed from March 17, 2020 to March 30, 2020. The counting of days for the purpose of filing an appeal with the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Court of Appeals pursuant to Chapter 5 shall not include March 17, 2020 through March 30, 2020, with the counting of days beginning again on March 31, 2020. For example, if the Tribal Court order you are appealing was issued on March 2, 2020, and the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Appellate Court Rules required that the Notice of Appeal be filed within twenty-eight (28) days after the Tribal Court order was issued, you would count the days through March 16, 2020, with that being fourteen (14) days, and continue counting on March 31, 2020, with your Notice of Appeal then due on April 13, 2020.

If you have any questions or concerns, you may reach the Tribal Court Administrator throughout the time of this closure, March 17, 2020 through March 30, 2020at 231-383-0290.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

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Hon. Melissa L. Pope, Chief Justice

<u>March 16, 2020</u> Date