

Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Court of Appeals

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ORDER OF THE CHIEF JUSTICE SUSPENDING TIMING REQUIREMENTS FOR APPEALS SECOND AMENDED

On March 16, 2020, the Order of the Chief Justice Suspending Timing Requirements for Appeals was issued, staying the timing requirements in Chapter 5 of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Appellate Court Rules with the time period of this Order extended on March 31, 2020 in the Order of the Chief Justice Suspending Timing Requirements – First Amended when the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians, a federally recognized American Indian Tribe and sovereign Native Nation, closed non-essential services in the Tribal Government for a longer period. With this period extended further, this Order of the Chief Justice Suspending Timing Requirements – Second Amended is issued.

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 <u>Tuesday, March 17, 2020</u> to Friday, May 15, 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 May 15, 2020, with the counting of days beginning again on May 1, 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 May 16, 2020 as Saturday and Sunday are counted in calculating calendar days with your Notice of Appeal then due on May 29, 2020.

With the fluidity of the COVID-19 situation, the ending date of May 15, 2020 may change. In the event of a new ending date, the Chief Justice will issue an amended order.

If you have any questions or concerns, you may reach the Tribal Court Administrator throughout the time of this closure, March 17, 2020 through May 15, 2020 at 231-383-0290.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

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Hon. Melissa L. Pope, Chief Justice

<u>May 1, 2020</u> Date