

TULALIP TRIBAL COURT LIMITED OPERATIONS PLAN –JURY TRIALS--ADMINISTRATIVE STANDING ORDER November 25, 2020

The Tulalip Tribes has decided to continue to move Government Operations to essential staff and close governmental operations through December 4, 2020. Court operations, as an essential service, will remain open, but will be returning to a reduced schedule, in light of the spike in COVID-19 cases within the Tulalip Tribal Community. Again, the applicable authority for court operations during the pandemic and quarantines are as follows.

11.15.050 Tribal Court Operations during Quarantine

To minimize the health impacts of an active Quarantine to our community, the Tulalip Tribal Court's operations, an essential service to our community, may be substantially curtailed to help keep the public and our employees safe. The Tulalip Tribal Court is hereby authorized to implement any reasonable measures necessary to Title 2 and Title 4 procedural and timeline rules to continue to operate the court during a Quarantine consistent with the Indian Civil Rights Act 25 U.S.C. 1302.

Title 2.25.070(2)(f) may be suspended during an active Quarantine, with the exception that any defendant in custody is exempt from this provision.

Therefore, the court hereby affirms and declares:

All Jury trials will be canceled for the month of December and will be re-evaluated for January. Any cases currently rescheduled for December will be rescheduled for a later date. Speedy trial will be restarted from December 1, but will be minimized upon rescheduling the Jury Trial and a new Case Management Schedule entered.

The court staff and judges will continue to monitor the court and the community's needs during this time, making adjustments as needed and provide further updated orders. This is a fluid situation and requires all of us to come together to continue to fulfill our duties and obligations while staying within the guidelines issued by the Center for Disease Control and Prevention, the Tulalip Tribes, the State and the Federal governments.

So issued this 25th day of November, 2020.

Wichella Demmert Michelle Demmert, Chief Judge Leona Colegrove, Associate Judge Josh Heath, Associate Judge

Janine VanDusen, Associate Judge Alicia Horne, Court Director