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KALISPEL TRIBAL COURT  
CUSICK, WA

KALISPEL INDIAN COMMUNITY  
KALISPEL INDIAN RESERVATION  
KALISPEL TRIBAL COURT

IN RE THE MATTER OF:

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

TELEPHONIC HEARINGS

NO. 2020-2

**WHEREAS**, the Kalispel Tribe of Indians issued a Public Health Emergency Declaration adopted by council Resolution dated March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2020 declaring a state of emergency due to the Coronavirus/COVID-19 in response to the public health emergency that affects its Tribal government and enterprise operations; and

**WHEREAS**, by Resolution of the Kalispel Tribal Council, emergency authority has been granted to this Court to adopt, modify, and suspend court rules and orders, and to take further action concerning court operations as warranted to address the current state of emergency and the health and safety of the public.

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:**

This emergency standing order shall be in effect for Kalispel Tribal Court effective immediately, and shall remain in effect until rescinded by the Kalispel Tribal Court Chief Judge. This Administrative Order shall apply to all persons who are required to appear before Kalispel Tribal Court for any and all hearings, and shall include, but is not limited to, attorneys, spokespersons, parties, witnesses, and jurors.

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

Kalispel Tribal Court  
P.O. Box 96  
Usk, Washington 99180  
(509) 445-1664/(877) 700-7072  
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**1. ALL HEARINGS CONDUCTED TELEPHONICALLY**

a. All attorneys, spokespersons, parties and jurors must call the designated phone number at the time of their hearings.

i. Notice of the hearing date and time will be mailed/emailed to each party in accordance with Kalispel Tribal Law and Order Code to the last known address on file with Kalispel Tribal Court.

ii. The Notice will include a dedicated phone number and access code for parties to call.

iii. Parties must call the dedicated phone number within 10 minutes of their scheduled hearing time.

iv. If any party does not have access to a telephone, they must contact Kalispel Tribal Court at 509-445-1664 to advise they will be appearing in person.

1. Any in person attendance will be in accordance with the Center for Disease Control social distancing guidelines. **Please DO NOT appear at the courthouse if you are experiencing signs of illness. Contact your attorney for further direction.**

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**2. FAILURE TO CALL OR CONTACT THE COURT**


a. If your hearing is for a criminal matter, failure to call the designated phone number or make arrangements to appear in person for your hearing, will be considered a failure to appear.

1 b. If your hearing is for a civil matter and you are the petitioner, failure to call the  
2 designated phone number or make arrangements to appear in person for your  
3 hearing, may result in dismissal of your petition.  
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7 c. If your hearing is for a civil matter and you are the respondent, failure to call the  
8 designated phone number or make arrangements to appear in person for your  
9 hearing, may result in the Court granting the relief requested by the petitioner.  
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16 Administrative Order 2020-1 filed with Kalispel Tribal Court on March 25, 2020 remains  
17 in full force and effect. The Judge may issue further orders as may be necessary if this  
18 state of emergency continues to exist to ensure the safety and health of the public.  
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25 **DATED this 7<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2020**  
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34 Milton Nomee, Chief Judge  
35 KALISPEL TRIBAL COURT  
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