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WYANDOTTE NATION SUPREME COURT  
WYANDOTTE, OK

*Kathy Zink*  
Court Clerk

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

SC Admin Order NO: SCAD-23-0000

The Supreme Court of the Wyandotte Nation, in recognition of the current state of the COVID-19 pandemic, hereby rescinds prior orders by this Court setting forth certain protocols that were put into place at those times in an effort to protect the community from spread of disease.

The following Administrative Orders of this Court are **HEREBY RESCINDED**:

- SC Adm. Order 2020-1 (May 15, 2020)
- SC Administrative Order A.O.-2020-2 (June 9, 2020)
- SC AD-22-002

Certain practices of the Wyandotte Tribal Courts, which were initially put into place in response to COVID-19, have proven to be efficient and effective in administration of cases, and shall continue as standard practices of the Wyandotte Tribal Courts, **AND ARE ORDERED** as set forth below:

- Court personnel and others attending court are permitted to use masks within all court spaces, in an effort to protect themselves and others from the spread of communicable illness, including common colds, flu, strep throat, and COVID-19.
- Hearings of any Wyandotte Nation Tribal Courts may be conducted in the manner most convenient for the parties and their counsel, including by telephone, videoconference, or in-person within the Wyandotte Tribal Court facilities, as determined by the presiding judge or justice, in his or her absolute discretion.
- Pleadings in any action of the Wyandotte Tribal Courts may be filed electronically through the Tribal Court Clerk's office. Upon confirmation by the Court Clerk of electronic filing, there is no need to mail additional hard copies to the Clerk.
- Service of pleadings in any action of the Wyandotte Tribal Courts may be effectuated electronically, so long as advance written permission is secured from the person or entity receiving such service. Email is an acceptable demonstration of such advance written permission. In the event advance written permission to accept service electronically is not secured, service must be effectuated via another valid service method, as articulated in the Wyandotte Nation Tribal Codes.
- Orders of the Wyandotte Tribal Courts may be signed electronically by the presiding judge or justice.
- Agreed orders between parties may be signed electronically.

- **Contests to the sufficiency or validity of electronic signatures or service shall be proffered immediately upon any person's knowledge of such alleged insufficiency or invalidity. Such contests should be addressed to the presiding judge or justice.**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "R. J. ...", is written above a horizontal line.

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**Chief Justice**