



SAN MANUEL TRIBAL COURT

In re: } ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 2020-001
ELECTRONIC COURT SESSIONS } **(Effective: IMMEDIATELY)**
AND CASE FILING REQUIREMENTS }
IN RESPONSE TO COVID-19 }
PANDEMIC }

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 2020-001:

WHEREAS the Tribal Court of the San Manuel Band of Mission Indians requires orderly and consistent handling of court cases and interactions with the public by the Court in a manner that ensures equal justice for all;

WHEREAS persons who are users of the Tribal Court includes parties to a case which means plaintiffs/petitioners and defendants/respondents; witnesses; advocates; Tribal departments or outside agencies; people seeking to file documents or pay fines or fees; and observers and family members who wish to attend hearings;

WHEREAS communicable illnesses such as flu and, in particular, COVID-19, pose a serious health risk to all users of the Tribal Court;

WHEREAS transmission of such illnesses through public contact and events is a known, substantial risk;

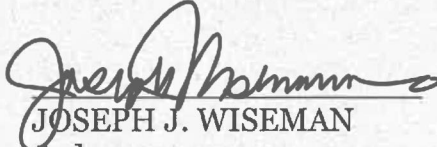
WHEREAS the Court takes action pursuant to this Order to limit the exposure and transmission of these illnesses related to any case pending before the San Manuel Tribal Court, and in order to promote the fair, transparent and efficient administration of justice in the courts of the San Manuel Band of Mission Indians, and pursuant to section 22.1.4 of the San Manuel Judicial Code conferring authority

on the San Manuel Tribal Court by to issue orders reasonably necessary to effectuate the purposes of the Code, **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that:

1. Unless otherwise ordered, all matters to be heard in the San Manuel Tribal Court shall be conducted by recorded electronic means, including, but not limited to, WebEx meeting, Zoom meeting or conference calls; and
2. Unless otherwise ordered, all court filings shall be submitted to the Clerk of Court of the San Manuel Tribal Court between the hours of **9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday.**
3. The Clerk of Court shall immediately make this Administrative Order publicly available.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: August 15, 2020


JOSEPH J. WISEMAN
Judge
San Manuel Tribal Court