

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2-24-15-01

WHEREAS the Waganakising Odawak, known as the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, is a nation of citizens with inherent sovereignty and right to self-governance; and,

WHEREAS the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians ("LTBB" or "Tribe") is a Federally recognized Indian Tribe reaffirmed by the United States Congress on September 21, 1994 in Public Law 103-324, as amended, which exercises sovereign governmental authority over the people, land, and water within its jurisdiction and administers a wide range of governmental programs; and,

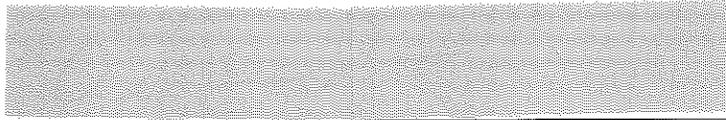
WHEREAS the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians' Tribal Constitution, adopted on February 2, 2005, Article IX B. (1), creates the Tribal Court of the Tribal Government and establishes that the Chief Judge "...shall serve as the head of the Tribal Judiciary"; and,

WHEREAS the Chief Judge, in her role as head of the Tribal Judiciary, has drafted and or reproduced several forms for child support calculations and legal process, including:

1. Flow Chart – depicts how the Tribal Court will address custody and support cases;
2. Court Procedures for Custody and Child Support Cases – establishes procedures for the disposition of child support and custody cases where the case will be heard in Tribal Court and enforced by the state friend of the court;
3. Custody and Child Support Party Information Sheet – a form given to the parties at the commencement of the action, explaining the process and their obligations therewith, as well as informing them of what sort of deadlines;
4. Petition for Child Custody and Child Support – the petition that a party files in order to commence the action where they are not involved in a concurrent divorce proceeding;
5. Petition for Dissolution of Marriage – the petition that a party files in order to commence the action where they are involved in a concurrent divorce proceeding;
6. Child Custody Jurisdiction Affidavit – this document will be attached to either the petition for dissolution of marriage or the petition for custody and child support. It addresses the pertinent factors in establishing the Court's jurisdiction over the matter;
7. Request of Financial Information Form – this form is provided to the parties requesting the data used by the software program to calculate the support obligation;
8. Child Support Formula Manual – describes the computations that makeup the child support formula and other assorted rules;

9. Child Support Formula Supplement – contains economic data and calculation tables as a separate document in order to facilitate incremental changes to the formula without having to create an entirely new formula;
10. Custody Order – order that is filed along with the child support order generated by the software program in state court.

THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED that the Tribal Court adopts the aforementioned documents for official use by the Tribal Court system.



Allie Greenleaf Maldonado
Chief Judge, LTBB

2/24/15

Date