

**SAINT REGIS MOHAWK TRIBAL COURT  
IN AND FOR THE SAINT REGIS MOHAWK TRIBE**

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**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2020 – 05  
AMENDMENT TO 2020-03 ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER COURT OPERATIONS  
DURING THE COVID-19 EMERGENCY**

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On March 16, 2020, the Saint Regis Mohawk Tribal Council (“Tribal Council”) declared a State of Emergency in response to the worldwide outbreak of COVID-19. The Tribal Council has issued subsequent Resolutions implementing other protective measures.

Pursuant to the administrative authority vested to the Chief Judge of the Saint Regis Mohawk Tribal Court, the Judicial Branch has issued administrative orders to address how court users access the Court during this time.

In November 2020, Court staff moved to the Akwesasne Business Center that is located at 447 Frogtown Road, Akwesasne, New York 13655. In Administrative Order issued on April 20, 2020, the Court noted that “[t]he Tribal Court is committed . . . [to] ensuring the safety of the Akwesasne community and Court staff.<sup>1</sup>

**NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that the Administrative Order 2020-03 Court Operations During the COVID-19 Emergency is **AMENDED** to include the following paragraphs:

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that in order to ensure the protection of the Akwesasne community and Court staff all Court offices located at the Akwesasne Business Center are **CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC**;

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that Court users that wish to submit documents to the Court follow the procedures outlined in Administrative Order 2020-03;

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that Court staff may set up a drop off location for Court users to submit their documents at the Akwesasne Business Center;

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that Court users that want to drop off documents at the Akwesasne Business Center must contact the Court prior to make an appointment with Court staff;

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that this Administrative Order does not revoke the Administrative Orders 2020-03 and 2020-4; and

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<sup>1</sup> The Court notes that on November 18, 2020 the Saint Regis Mohawk Tribe’s Emergency Operations Center (“EOC”) has announced that there are twenty-two (22) total active cases under the Tribe’s jurisdiction.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that this Order is intended to be interpreted broadly to ensure the protection of the Akwesasne community, Court staff, and Judges from the health risks associated with COVID-19.

Signed this 19<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2020.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Carrie E. Garrow", written over a horizontal line.

Carrie E. Garrow, Chief Judge  
Saint Regis Mohawk Tribal Court