IN THE COURT OF THE GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY IN THE STATE OF ARIZONA

In the Matter of:

IN-PERSON, TELEPHONIC OR VIRTUAL PARTICIPATION IN COURT HEARINGS

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 2022-07

The Gila River Indian Community Court (Court) has issued Administrative Orders that permit parties to appear in-person, telephonically or virtually for certain Court hearings during the Coronavirus pandemic. This practice allowed the parties to communicate with the Court and resolve cases while ensuring the safety and health of the courtroom participants.

The Court believes it is in the best interest of the parties to continue the use of the in-person, telephonic or virtual appearance practice. To ensure the timely and efficient administration of justice and to provide a uniform procedure for the parties, the Court issues this Administrative Order that identifies Court hearings that require in-person, telephonic or virtual participation.

The attached table adopts presumptive standards for hearings and the type of participation expected of the parties, including attorneys and advocates. Any party appearing telephonically or virtually shall inform the Clerk of the Court of the party's contact number prior to the hearing date and time. All parties shall make themselves available at the hearing's date and time. If a hearing type is not listed, the trial judge shall address the hearing on a case-by-case basis.

A trial judge shall comply with this Administrative Order's presumptive standards unless the trial judge finds good cause to deviate from the standards. A trial judge shall inform all parties of any deviation from this Administrative Order.

IT IS ORDERED that the presumptive standards contained within Table 1 are adopted effective August 1, 2022.

DATED this 8th day of July, 2022.



Honorable Anthony J. Hill, Chief Judge

Table 1			
Case Type	Hearing Type	In-Person	Telephonic/Virtua
Criminal	Initial Appearance		X
	Arraignment	Х	
	Preliminary Hearing	Х	
	Bail Hearing	Х	
	Bond Forfeiture	Х	
	Pretrial with No Change of Plea		Х
	Motion Hearing		Х
	Evidentiary Hearing	Х	
	Oral Argument		Х
	Change of Plea	Х	
	Settlement Conference	Х	
	Status Conference for Jury Trial	Х	
	Order to Show Cause	Х	
	Bench Trial	х	
	Jury Trial	X	
	Sentencing	X	
	Probation Revocation – Violation Hearing	X	
	Probation Revocation – Change of Plea	X	
	Probation Revocation – Sentencing	X	
	Restitution Hearing	X	
	Review Hearing	~	X
Civil	Answer/Despense Lipsring (New Filings)	V	
	Answer/Response Hearing (New Filings)	X	
	Motion Hearing	Х	Y
	Review Hearing		X
	Evidentiary Hearing	Х	
	Order of Protection/Restraining Order		X
	Mental Health	Х	
	Civil Trespass – Initial Hearing		X
	Civil Trespass – Bench Trial	Х	
	Animal Control – Initial Hearing		X
	Animal Control – Bench Trial	X	
Traffic	Initial Hearing		X
	Bench Trial	Х	
Children's Court			
Juvenile Offender/			
Status Offender			
	Detention Hearing		Х
	Initial Hearing	Х	
	Pre-Adjudication		Х
	Pre-Adjudication with Change of Plea	Х	

Table 1			
Case Type	Hearing Type	In-Person	Telephonic/Virtual
	Adjudication Trial	X	
	Restitution	Х	
	Probation Revocation Initial	X	
	Probation Revocation Pre-Adjudication	X	
	Juvenile Drug Court	Х	
CINOC			
	Shelter Care Hearing		Х
	Initial Hearing	Х	
	Pre-Adjudication	X	
	Disposition	Х	
	Review Hearings		Х
	Guardianship/Name Change	X	
	Family Healing to Wellness Court	X	