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PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT FROM CHINLE JUDICIAL DISTRICT

The Chinle District Court has resumed operations of essential services at the Chinle District Court facility.

The Chinle Judicial District is accessible by telephone, fax, email and postal mail. In-person filing and hearings are not currently available. The Court continues to accept filings by email, fax and by U.S. mail. Contact information for the Court is:

P. O. Box 547, Chinle, AZ 86503

Telephone: (928) 674-2070

Fax: (928) 674-2089

Email: nnychcourt@navajo-nsn.gov

To file by email, email documents to: nnychcourt@navajo-nsn.gov. Documents filed with the Court by email outside Court hours will be received the next Court day during normal Court hours (Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.). Please make sure all documents are signed.

When sending documents by email, note that the Navajo Nation uses a sender verification system designed to eliminate spam, bulk and malicious emails. If you email the courts from a non-Navajo Nation email address, please make sure to verify your email address by following the instructions sent back to you by email. This will allow for your email to go through to the intended recipient. Also, if sending documents by email or fax the public is asked to contact the court by telephone at (928) 674-2070 to ensure receipt of email or fax.

Information and instructions for scheduled hearings will be provided along with the Notice of Hearing to legal counsel of record and to parties if they are not represented by legal counsel. If you have legal counsel, please contact them for information on scheduled hearings.

To pay fines or fees, mail a money order payable to the "Navajo Nation" to: Chinle District Court, P.O. Box 547, Chinle, AZ 86503. Include court docket number, printed name and signature, and mailing address.

A downloadable "Application for Protection from Domestic Abuse and Service of Process" is available on the Navajo Nation Courts website at www.navajocourts.org. If there are any issues, please contact the Chinle Judicial District Court for assistance.

If an emergency protection order is needed on a weekend or holiday, please contact the local police department for assistance.

The Chinle Judicial District thanks the Dził Yijiin Judicial District for assisting with essential services while its facility was closed.

The Judicial Branch of the Navajo Nation reminds the public that all judicial facilities are closed to the public but essential services are being provided and all case filings are being accepted. There are a limited number of staff working in judicial facilities in order to prevent the spread of COVID-19. Please be patient during this time as the Navajo Nation courts continue to offer essential services during the public health emergency. For the latest information and announcements, please contact the local judicial district court or visit www.navajocourts.org.

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