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TRIBAL COURT

IN THE TRIBAL COURT OF THE CONFEDERATED TRIBES OF THE
GRAND RONDE COMMUNITY OF OREGON

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 25-003

POLICY REGARDING REQUESTS FOR CONTINUANCES

The purpose of this administrative order is to establish a policy for requests for continuances.

This policy aims to balance the court's desire for efficient case management, for adherence to prior orders, and for a clear process for continuances when a party is unable to attend a hearing in person or remote, and is unable to provide coverage due to a scheduling conflict with another court.

WHEREAS, Article IV of the Grand Ronde Constitution vests authority to the Chief Judge to exercise all judicial authority of the Tribe, to include the power to review and overturn tribal legislative and executive actions.

WHEREAS, Tribal Court Ordinance Chapter 302 provides for the administration of law and justice by the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde through the establishment of a Tribal Court system as required by Article IV of the Grand Ronde Constitution.

WHEREAS, Tribal Court Ordinance Chapter 302 empowers the court to exercise the judicial authority of the Tribe as delegated herein.

THEREFORE, if a circumstance arises where a party is requesting a continuance, they must email court staff at court@grandronde.org for available docket dates and times, and they must contact all parties to confirm their availability on a proposed date. Once all parties have

1 consented to a new date and time, the moving party shall file a Motion,
2 Affidavit and Proposed Order with the court. Court staff will forward the
3 pleadings to the Chief Judge for review and consideration. The Chief Judge
4 retains judicial discretion for the allowance of continuances.

5 If a Motion for a Continuance is opposed by one or more parties, then the
6 moving party may file their motion without a new proposed court date and the
7 court will rule on the motion in normal course.

8 This order shall remain in effect until further notice or until superseded
9 by future order.

10 DATED THIS 8TH DAY OF MAY, 2025.

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12 Patrick S. Melendy
13 Chief Judge
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