

## **TITLE 6 – COURTS**

### **CHAPTER 3 - RULES OF COURT**

#### **ARTICLE 8- CHILDREN’S COURT JURISDICTION**

*History: Administrative Order 05-07, “IN RE: Order Assigning and Transferring All Adoptions, Terminations of Parental Rights, and Children’s Guardianships and Custodianships to the Children’s Court” was ordered on December 18, 2007 and assigned and transferred all cases involving the termination of parental rights, adoptions, and children’s custodianships and guardianships to the Children’s Court effective January 2, 2008.*

***NOTE: Pursuant to Article VIII, Section 10(d) of the Constitution of the Tohono O’odham Nation and § 1106(A) of 6 T.O.C. Chapter 1, the Judicial Court is vested with the power to promulgate rules regulating pleading, practice and procedure in all Judicial Court proceedings. The Judicial Court rules are therefore subject to enactment, amendment, or repeal at any time by administrative order issued by the chief judge. Practitioners are accordingly cautioned to contact the Judicial Court for copies of current court rules.***


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**In the Judicial Court of the Tohono O'odham Nation  
County of Pima, In the State of Arizona**

IN RE: Order Assigning and Transferring ) ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER  
All Adoptions, Terminations of Parental ) No.: 05-07  
Rights, and Children's Guardianships and )  
Custodianships to the Children's Court )  
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Pursuant to Chapter 1, Section 2(B) of the Tohono O'odham Children's Code, the Children's Court has exclusive original jurisdiction over the termination of parental rights, adoptions, and children's custodianships and guardianships. Beginning January 2, 2008, all cases involving the termination of parental rights, adoptions, and children's custodianships and guardianships shall be heard by the Children's Court. Any of these cases currently filed with the Adult Civil Court shall be transferred on January 2, 2008 to the Children's Court bench. New cases regarding the termination of parental rights, adoption, and/or the custodianship or guardianship of minors should be filed captioning the Children's Court.

Dated and entered this 18<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2007.

  
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Linda Parley  
Interim Chief Judge