

By an electronic vote of the Tribal Judiciary on March 13, 2020 Rule VI of the LTBB Rules of Civil Procedure has been amended as follows:

Rule VI
SERVICE OF PLEADINGS AND OTHER PAPERS

Section 1. Manner of Service. Service of all papers contemplated under these Rules may be made in any manner allowed by these rules.

Section 2. Electronic Service. Documents may be filed by facsimile or e-mail if originals are provided to the Court within five business days. Parties shall be required to provide their email address and/or fax numbers to the Court and other parties. When a state of emergency has been declared by the Tribe, the Federal government or the State of Michigan, the requirement that originals be filed with the Court shall be suspended until the state of emergency is lifted. During a declared state of emergency parties shall be encouraged to file documents electronically when possible.

Alternative electronic service. The parties may agree to alternative electronic service among themselves by filing a stipulation in that case. Some or all of the parties may also agree to alternative electronic service of notices and court documents in a particular case by the Court or the Friend of the Court by filing an agreement with the Court or Friend of the Court respectively. Alternative electronic service may be by any of the following methods:

- a) e-mail,
- b) text message, or
- c) alert consisting of an e-mail or text message to log into a secure website to view notices and court papers.

Section 3. Service on Parties; Attorneys. Service of all papers contemplated by these Rules may be made on the party's counsel or advocate if the party has retained any counsel or advocate. All filings sent by one party to another except discovery documents shall also be sent to the Court. All filings sent to the Court shall also be sent to each party.