

Potential life-saving treatment for COVID-positives available at Tulalip Health Clinic

By Micheal Rios

As COVID deaths continue to spike in Washington State — the 7-day average for deaths has reached its highest sustained peak all pandemic newly developed treatments for the disease are beginning to receive global attention. Monoclonal antibody therapies are among the most effective. In this treatment, COVID-positive patients are infused with high concentrations of antibodies specifically designed to fight SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes COVID.

On the Tulalip Reservation, a recent explosion of positive test results has corresponded

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BYOB: Bring Your Own Bag - State enforces single-use plastic bag ban

By Kalvin Valdillez

Restaurants, retailers and grocers across the state of Washington will have to cease all distribution of single-use plastic bags, effective Friday October 1. In an effort to reduce the pollution of Mother Earth, and more locally the Salish Sea, the state has outlawed one of the main culprits causing harm to the environment.

Plastic carryout bags are handed-out at a high-frequency on the daily. According to



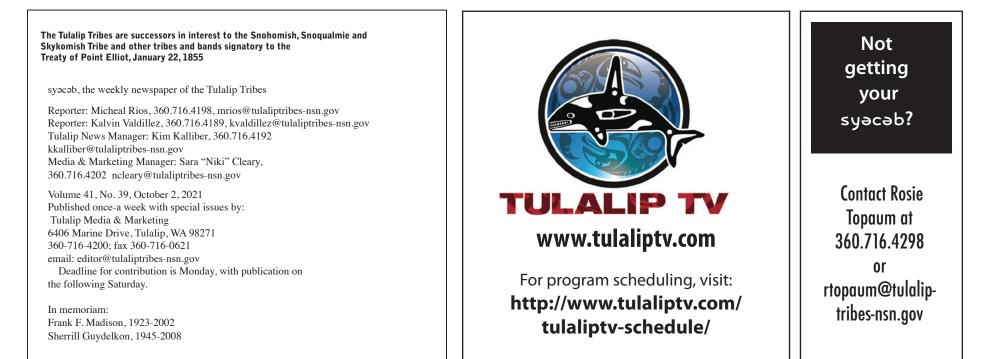


MEMBERSHIP FINANCIAL MEETING

OCTOBER 21, 2021 | GATHERING HALL DINNER AT 5:00PM | MEETING AT 5:30PM

The meeting will also be broadcast live on www.iAmTulalip.com

Financial booklets will be available for membership to pick up on Monday, Oct 18 at 9:00AM at the BOD reception.



News



Semi-Annual General Council

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 23 10:00 AM GATHERING HALL



Breakfast will not be served. A box lunch will be provided.

The Gathering Hall parking lot will be for elders and handicap only.

General membership can park on the street near Gathering Hall, at TELA, or there will be a shuttle from the Administration Building. No parking at the Boys & Girls Club or Health Clinic.

Masks are required

Commission Voting

Friday, October 22 7:00 am - 4:00 pm Gathering Hall

Saturday, October 23 7:00 am – 1:00 pm Gathering Hall

*Commission election results announced at 1:30 pm on Oct 23.



THE TULALIP TRIBES BOD ENDORSES THE FOLLOWING IN THE NOVEMBER 2, 2021 ELECTION

MARYSVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 25 - DIRECTOR 1 RAY SHELDON JR.

MARYSVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 25 - DIRECTOR 4 VANESSA EDWARDS

ENGROSSED SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1477 MAINTAIN

ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5096 MAINTAIN

SB5096 helps the State of Washington continue to provide and expand education services and support to our youth by ensuring that the wealthiest Washingtonians pay their fair share "Money in the account may be spent only after appropriation.
Expenditures from the account may be used only for support of the common schools, and for expanding access to higher education through funding for new enrollments and financial aid, early learning and child care programs, and other educational improvement efforts."

SECOND SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5315 MAINTAIN

Ballots will be mailed on Oct 14. The last day to register to vote online is Oct 25. The last day to register in-person is Nov 2.

Make your vote count on Nov. 2, 2021

Monoclonal from front page



Monoclonal antibody medicines.

with the return of in-person schooling and a number of large gatherings (birthday parties, funerals and community activities) Probable positives reached the triple digits in mid-September and yet another elder was a suspected pandemic casualty, bringing the total to 9 elders lost according to Emergency Management.

With the pandemic clearly not ending any time soon and many more COVID-positives a forgone conclusion at this point, the new interim Medical Director of Tulalip's Health Clinic, Dr. Elizabeth TopSky (Chippewa Cree) has brought monoclonal antibodies to the reservation. She wants all eligible patients of the Health Clinic to know about this potentially life-saving treatment.

It is important to note this therapy is only available to those who have recently tested positive, and it can be administered to individuals as young as 12-years-old. Since mid-September the antibody treatment has been administered to multiple Tulalip elders and highrisk teenagers alike. The results have been overwhelmingly favorable.

One such elder, 81-year-old Keeta Sheldon, shared her experience with the antibody therapy. "Well, I was vaccinated so when I tested positive that was a bit of a surprise. My family reached out to local medical centers inquiring about this new antibody infusion and when they found out it was offered at our Health Clinic, they made the necessary arrangements," she said. "The treatment only took 20 minutes and I felt pretty good right away."

When asked if she'd recommend the monoclonal antibody treatment to her fellow tribal members, Keeta responded emphatically, "Yes. For those who catch COVID it'll make them feel a whole lot better."

Tulalip Health Clinic director Dr. TopSky was gracious enough to answer a few prevailing questions our readers may find insightful in regards to this breakthrough medicine intended to prevent severe symptoms and possible death from developing among our community's most vulnerable.

What is monoclonal antibody therapy?

Dr. TopSky: Monoclonal antibodies are laboratory-made proteins that bind to the spike protein of SARS-CoV-2 and block the virus' attachment and entry into hu-



Health Clinic Medical Director Dr. TopSky.

man cells. The product is available for the treatment of mild to moderate COVID-19 in adult and pediatric patients (over 12-years-old and weighing over 40 kg) who are at high risk for progressing to severe COVID-19 and/or hospitalization.

How is this therapy relevant in today's current climate with the Delta variant running rampant in our community? Dr. TopSky: Unfortunately, we have a fairly large population that is unvaccinated and we are dealing with the largest ever number of positive patients during this Delta surge. The vaccine is the first line in healthcare worker's fight against negative outcomes from this infection. This therapy is a second option for our eligible patients to prevent hospitalizations and other complications. As a healthcare clinic, we are also able to help the local hospitals and ERs in this surge by providing this treatment to our eligible patients.

Who is eligible to receive this therapy at our Health Clinic?

Dr. TopSky: We are presently offering this therapy to eligible patients of our clinic when we are first aware they have tested positive. This is a collaboration from our medical staff and the Community Health Nurses. They have the information on community members who test positive outside of our clinic and forward to us. We review the list of positive patients to determine if they meet the criteria for the antibody infusion. We reach out to these patients at risk with a phone call.

If they voice interest, we

then schedule an appointment for the infusion. Ideally, the infusion occurs as early as possible in the infection and needs to be completed in the first ten days of symptoms. The clinical worsening happens around 14 days and it can be difficult to predict who will worsen at that time. That's why the guidelines are in place for who is eligible to receive the infusion.

To date, how many patients have received the antibody therapy at the Health Clinic?

Dr. TopSky: As of today, we have provided twelve treatments to our clinic patients, some of whom are not Tulalip tribal members. We will continue to monitor our positive patients and reach out to them by phone. We would definitely encourage any of our patients who test positive to reach out to us if they want to know if they meet the criteria.

We continue to improve our processes and we might not always be aware of a patient's recent diagnosis. Howard Johnson, PharmD has been our primary contact for scheduling and providing this service. It does take 2-3 hours to complete and can be tiring sometimes for the patient when they are already not feeling well.

Any other pertinent information you'd like to share?

Dr. TopSky: Our medical providers and nursing staff, like all other healthcare providers in the country, are significantly overwhelmed with the present Delta surge. I would like to recognize them for their service to our patient population. They are exposed daily to this deadly virus and their dedication and service should not go unrecognized.

Also, we encourage everyone to get vaccinated when able as this is the first step in getting this pandemic under control. We are all in this together and getting vaccinated protects our families and community.

For more information about monoclonal antibody therapy and patient eligibility, please contact Tulalip's clinical pharmacist Dr. Howard Johnson. He can be reached at (360) 716-5699

Bag ban from front page

the Center for Biological Diversity, the average American household accrues over 1,500 plastic bags annually and recycles less than one percent of those bags. The bags were created for the convenience of the shopper, intended to be utilized to transport your goods and purchases home safely. However, they are causing irrevocable damage to the natural world, especially aquatic life as over 100,000 marine animals are killed from plastic bags and plastic toxins each year.

Single-use plastic bags are non-biodegradable and take hundreds of years to break down into micro-plastics, which ultimately finds its way to the waterways and are consumed by sea-life, and in-turn often consumed by the human population. According to a study performed by the non-profit organization, Plastic Oceans, 100% of the mussels that they tested were contaminated with micro-plastics. Plastic Oceans also estimates that the average person eats over forty pounds of plastic throughout their lifetime due to the pollution caused by plastic bags.

Single-use plastics are produced by fossil fuels. The process

of creating the bags alone emits an enormous amount of greenhouse gasses. In the Pacific Northwest, we are already beginning to see the link between plastic pollution, the food chain and climate change, especially when considering our depleted salmon and orca populations. It is estimated that by the year 2050, there will be more plastic in the ocean than there are fish. And as the plastic, and all the chemicals and toxins they contain, makes its way back up the food chain, it can start to create major health concerns for humans including hormonal imbalances, reproductive issues and in extreme cases, cancer.

The ban was originally supposed to go into effect at the start of 2021, but due to supply chain issues caused by the global pandemic, the ban was pushed back to October 1. Stores and eateries will be required to offer either paper bags or 2.25 mil thick-film reusable plastic bags – made with 20% recycled material, at a cost of eight cents per bag. Green or brown compostable bags are also an alternative and the fee for those bags are optional and at the business' discretion.



Although this is a big change that consumers will have to get used to, many Washingtonians are already familiarized with a sans-plasticbag-lifestyle. Nearly forty cities throughout the state have already implemented their own singleuse plastic bag ban ordinance over recent years, including Quil Ceda Village on the Tulalip reservation.

Quil Ceda Village is home

to a number of businesses and restaurants including the Tulalip Resort Casino, Tulalip Bingo, Walmart, Cabela's, Home Depot and the Seattle Premium Outlets. When the city first implemented the plastic bag ban, they received little pushback and a surprising amount of support. With over 130 retail stores, the outlet mall phased out all of their plastic bags in 2017. In 2018, when the ban went into effect, most stores switched from plastic to paper and some stores even elected to stop offering bags completely.

"Overall the [plastic bag ban] is going well," said Quil Ceda Village General Manager, Martin Napeahi. "The only issues I think we have had are from the consumer. Change in habits is tough for anyone, myself included, but I think

consumers have adjusted and now bring their and businesses that continue offering single-use own reusable bags when they shop. Generally speaking, all of our retailers are following the ban. Stores like Cabela's and Walmart offer reusable bags for a cost and Home Depot offers brown bags."

Like Quil Ceda Village, neglecting to follow the statewide ban comes with a price tag

plastic bags can be fined up to \$250 per day. If you're looking to avoid the 8¢-fee per bag, remember to BYOB on all of your shopping excursions beginning October 1. For additional information on the statewide ban, please visit www.ecology.wa.gov/bagban.

Preserving the cedar weaving artform

By Shaelyn Hood

Every Wednesday, the Hibulb Cultural Center holds a Weaving Gathering from 5-7 PM. It is an open forum for those who are wanting to learn new weaving skills or work on their current projects. It is a time to visit with loved ones, share your works, and learn from community leaders. For any first timers, there are also weaving kits available for purchase.

Basket weaving and various other cedar crafts is a big part of Native American culture and is one of the oldest arts in the Pacific Northwest. There are different styles of basket weaving, plaiting, twining, and coiling. Each basket and craft serve a purpose, whether to be used for storage, for holding food, rinsing items, or carrying large loads.

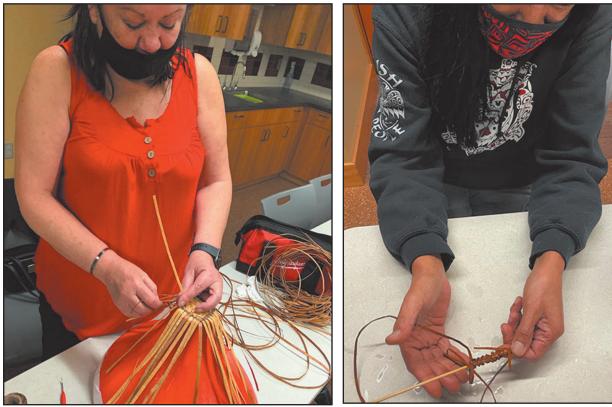
Materials for weaving like cedar bark, spruce roots, and various types of grasses are are harvested throughout the year, then processed and dried for future use. Sometimes during the process, the materials are naturally dyed to add a pop of color. When the weaver feels like the material is ready, the cedar is rewetted so it can become more pliable.

For some weavers, basket weaving acts as a source of income. For others, it acts as a gift giving method for their family and friends. In any situation, basket weavers hold a high status in our community, just as they did centuries ago.

The September 22nd class was held by Jamie Sheldon, and other members of her family will be guiding future classes.

The Weaving Gatherings at HCC help preserve an artform that can be passed on to our loved ones and promote Native culture. For more information about the next Weaving Gathering, follow the events calendar at HibulbCulturalCenter. org, or call 360-716-2600.





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Creating with family

Submitting by Ty Juvinel

My latest mural can be seen at the Oak Harbor Skagit Community College. The mural, called Salmon Ceremony, is pretty massive at approximately 40x40 feet.

The salmon ceremony design has a male figure holding up the king, with rays of sunlight coming from behind it, and two women singing and giving thanks. In the rays of sunshine are some spirits and basket style patterns

I really I want to highlight how much I loved being able to paint with my kids and family. Showing them how long a project can last and the dedication it takes, as we drove to Oak Harbor every weekend for a month to finish. It just felt like a great bonding experience









Tutorial/Homework Support Program 2021/2022 School Year Monday-Thursday after school until 5:30 p.m.

Grades K-2 – Portable "F" Grades 3-5 – Portable "F-2" Grades 6-12 – Portable "F-3"

Applications are available at the Youth Center, Portable "F", which is located across from B&G club and at Schools in the Marysville School District with 30 or more Native students

If you would like to have staff assist your student in school – contact their teacher and arrange for the best time for staff to assist them. Call 360-716-4646 –Dawn Simpson and leave a message if she is not available. Staff will be notified of your request.

Our after-school Program operates Monday-Thursday after school until 5:30 PM

The application asks where and who will be picking up your student –make sure that you answer this question, we want to ensure your child's safety.



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SPECIAL EXHIBIT

October

WEAVING GATHERING 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM

Weekly open forum for those interested in bringing weaving materials to work on projects. A time to visit, share, build skills and complete your beautiful woven art. Weaving kits available for purchase.

SAT KIDS CRAFT 2:00 PM to 3:00 PM

Hibulb will have a craft project to share with youth on Saturday afternoon. Fun activities for creative minds.

See October 6 above for event description.



Events are included in the cost of admission. additional fees may apply.



Located less than a mile west of I-5 Exit 199 6410 23rd Ave NE Tulalip, WA 98271 360-716-2600 HibulbCulturalCenter.org f V O



After the signing of the treaty, a new systematic way of thinking emerged for the Tulalip people through alphabetic literacy. This exhibit explores literary interactions of the Tulalip people from 1855 to today.

WEAVING GATHERING

5:00 PM to 7:00 PM

Please visit our website for current COVID-19 safety measures.

MEMBERSHIP DISTRIBUTIONS WILL SOON BE DIRECT DEPOSIT ONLY!

Leadership encourages you to sign up for direct deposit with your banking information. If you do not have a bank account or don't sign up for direct deposit before November 1, 2021, you will be mailed a Key2Prepaid card.

This will reduce fraud and costs for the tribe. reduce the chance of stolen checks in the mail, and if tribal government is closed members will still receive their distributions.

Cards can be taken to any KeyBank and cashed just like a check. The card cannot be garnished or have money taken off for liens. It is not a bank account, and you cannot add money to it.

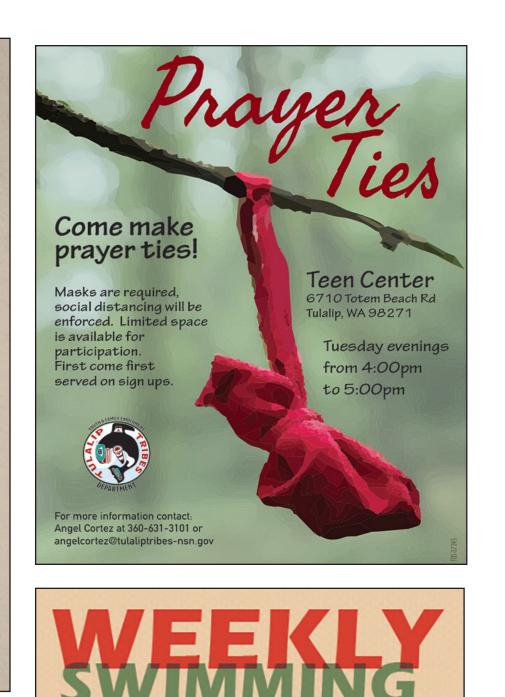
The direct deposit request form is available on the tribes' website or from the Admin Building CSRs.

The Direct Deposit form is available at: www.tulaliptribes-nsn.gov/Dept/Finance









Wednesday evenings from 5:30pm to 6:30pm

MPHS Swimming Pool

We will be leaving the teen center at 5:00 pm and return back to the teen center at 7:15 pm.

Masks are required, social distancing will be enforced. Limited space is available for participation. First come first served on sign ups.



r more information contact: ngel Cortez at 360-631-3101 or ngelcortez@tulaliptribes-nsn.gov



Ray Sheldon, Jr for Marysville School District No. 25 Director 1

Professional Experience: Owner of Shelco, Inc.

Education: Marysville Pilchuck High School Graduate

Community Service: Coached in Marysville for their soccer, basketball and baseball leagues in 1980's thru the 1990's. Board member for the Tulalip Little League. Strong supporter of Leah's Dream Foundation & Friendship Adventures (nonprofits that focus on helping individuals with disabilities) Tulalip Boys & Girls Club, and Marysville Booster Clubs. Tulalip Utilities Commission. Tulalip Planning Commission and current Chairman. Snohomish County Planning Commission, 3-year appointment. Indian Education Parent Committee. Marysville School District Fiscal Advisory Committee. Marysville School District SEPAC special education advisory committee.

Statement: Our community's future depends on how we support and uplift our youth. I will bring new life into the School Board supporting all students and advocating for the resources and nurturing they need to thrive. I will do this by:

• **Improving facilities.** Building quality has a significant impact on attendance and drop-

outs. Students are less likely to do well in school if their building is need of repairs. I will work with community partners to obtain funding, working to build and maintain these important community structures, ensuring students get the most out of their education.

- **Protecting Special Education**. We must work to protect our most vulnerable students, ensuring they have opportunities to succeed in school and beyond. I am committed to advocating for Special Education funding, working with families and Washington Legislators to protect this critical funding.
- **Equity and Inclusion.** Now more than ever, we must be committed to providing a safe, respectful and inclusive environment that empowers our students. We must continue to implement evidence-based programs that help students understand actions and develop conflict management skills. Working with our students and their families we can create a culture that supports honesty and authenticity, celebrating the uniqueness of every student.

Our district must stop passing the buck and take meaningful action to address bullying and meet the highest cultural, diversity, equity, and inclu-



sion standards. I bring lived experience and the time and passion necessary to build the trust and confidence out community deserves from elected leaders.

Ray Sheldon, Jr raysheldonvotes57@gmail.com

TUL-CV-YI-2021-0434. SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION Tulalip Tribal Court, Tulalip WA. In Re the Welfare of: T. D. E. TO: CHRISTOPHER RAY ENICK and SAMANTHA BIRD GOSHORN: YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Youth in Need of Care dependency action was filed in the above-entitled Court pursuant to TTC 4.05 regarding the above mentioned youth. You are hereby summoned to appear and defend regarding the above entitled action at a hearing on Tuesday, October 26, 2021 at 11:00 A.M. in Tulalip Tribal Court, 6332 31st Ave NE, Suite B, Tulalip, WA 98271. Should the Court rooms be closed due to Covid-19 you should call in to your hearing via GoToMeeting, phone number: 1-224-501-3412, access code: 212-638-629. NO-TICE: You have important legal rights and you must take steps to protect your interests. IF YOU FAIL TO ANSWER JUDGMENT WILL BE RENDERED AGAINST YOU. Date first published: September 18, 2021.

TUL-CV-YG-2021-0236. SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION Tulalip Tribal Court, Tulalip WA. In Re the Guardianship of: K. T. M. B.-W. TO: VICTORIA SUE BRIGHT and ROBERT MICHAEL WAYNE, JR.: YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Youth Guardianship action was filed in the above-entitled Court pursuant to TTC 4.05 regarding the above mentioned youth. You are hereby summoned to appear and defend regarding the above entitled action at a hearing on Thursday, December 9, 2021 at 9:30 A.M. in Tulalip Tribal Court, 6332 31st Ave NE, Suite B, Tulalip, WA 98271. Should the Court rooms be closed due to Covid-19 you should call in to your hearing via GoToMeeting, phone number: 1-571-317-3112, access code: 286-262-589. NO-TICE: You have important legal rights and you must take steps to protect your interests. IF YOU FAIL TO ANSWER JUDGMENT WILL BE RENDERED AGAINST YOU. Date first published: September 11, 2021.

TUL-CV-GU-2008-0277. SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION Tulalip Tribal Court, Tulalip WA. In Re the Guardianship of: K. W. H. (AKA K. C. C. Jr.) TO: KANUM CHARLES CULTEE, SR. and LATASHA JOYCE APODACA-BAGLEY (AKA BAGLEY): YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Youth Guardianship Motion was filed in the above-entitled Court in this youth's guardianship action pursuant to TTC 4.05 regarding the above mentioned youth. You are hereby summoned to appear and defend regarding the above entitled action at a hearing on Thursday, October 14, 2021 at 1:00 PM in Tulalip Tribal Court, 6332 31st Ave NE, Suite B, Tulalip, WA 98271. Should the Court rooms be closed due to covid-19 you should call in to your hearing via GoToMeeting, phone number: 1-571-317-3112, access code: 286-262-589. NOTICE: You have important legal rights and you must take steps to protect your interests. IF YOU FAIL TO AN-SWER JUDGMENT WILL BE RENDERED AGAINST YOU. Date first published: September 4, 2021.

TUL-CV-YG-2021-0431. SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION Tulalip Tribal Court, Tulalip WA. In Re the Guardianship of: L.M. Naomi Lynn Moses vs Ryan Delbert Moses; Gona Teddy Elizabeth Blatchford. TO: Ryan Delbert Moses; Gona Teddy Elizabeth Blatchford: YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Youth Guardianship action was filed in the above-entitled Court pursuant to TTC 4.05 regarding the above mentioned youth. NOTICE: You have important legal rights and you must take steps to protect your interests. IF YOU FAIL TO ANSWER JUDGMENT WILL BE RENDERED AGAINST YOU. Date first published: September 18, 2021.

COURT CLERKS OFFICE

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We accept filings Monday–Thursday from 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM and from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM. Friday from 8:00 AM to Noon.

If filing in-person, please go to our intake window at the courthouse.

When e-filing or submitting document requests, please send to the following email address: crt-efiling@tulaliptribes-nsn.gov Remember to attach documents. Please use a description to name your document.

To better serve you, E-file subject line should read: E-file, followed by cause number, last name, first name, title of document.

(For example: E-file: Doe, John, TUL-CR-MC-2021-2021 Motion for Court Order)

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Many of our court public forms can be found online at: tulaliptribalcourt-nsn.gov/FormsAndFilings/CourtForms

Communication With the Clerks Office If you need to communicate with the Clerks office, that is *NOT an e-file*, please send to: courtclerks@tulaliptribes-nsn.gov

For example; judge reviews, court orders associated with a hearing, calendar requests AND during hearings for proposed orders requiring judge's signature.



The Tulalip Tribal Court 1855 Point ElliottTreaty

