INFORMATION RELATING TO

CIVIL PROCEDURE IN THE

MILLE LACS BAND OF OJIBWE COURT OF CENTRAL JURISDICTION

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Prospective attorneys are advised to be familiar with the following:

<u>Mille Lacs Band Statutes Annotated.</u> A reprint of the Band Statutes Annotated was distributed in 2020. It contains amendments received through 2020. Copies may be obtained by contacting the Office of Solicitor General at 320-532-7482.

The most current version of the Band Statutes are located on the Mille Lacs Band website at https://millelacsband.com/government/tribal-register

<u>Court Rules</u>. Court Rules governing the procedures of the District Court are established by the Court Order 45, which was later amended by Court Order 49. The amendments are effective June 18, 2012.

Court Rules of the Court of Appeals are established by Court Order 46, which was later amended by Court Order 48. The amendments are effective June 18, 2012.

Both Court Rules are available at https://millelacsband.com/government/judicial.

Please note that all pleadings and proposed orders filed with the Court shall have a two-inch top margin on the first page to allow room for the file stamp. Court Order 49, § I, Rule 6.

<u>Attorney Rules</u>. Court Rules governing attorneys before the Court are established by Court Order 49 § XIV, Rule 128 and Court Order 48 § VIII, Rules 52-60.

Membership in Mille Lacs Band Bar is controlled by Court Order 48, § VIII, Rule 56. To apply for membership, an attorney shall submit a certificate certifying the attorney's good standing from his/her resident state bar along with a completed copy of the attached application and applicable dues.

Priority of Law. The priority of law applicable in civil actions is governed by 24 MLBSA § 2007. (Note the incorporation of traditional theory of law sha wa ni ma. 24 MLBSA § 2003.) See, generally, Judicial Proceedings, 24 MLBSA, available at https://millelacsband.com/government/tribal-register/constitution-and-band-statutes.

Questions? Please visit the Mille Lacs Band Judicial website or call the Mille Lacs Band Court of Central Jurisdiction at 320-532-7400.