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Re: Remote Court Proceedings in the Palau Judiciary

(It is our duty at the Judiciary to inform the people what we do. This Press Release is one way to achieve that responsibility.)

On January 6, 2021, the Palau Judiciary issued Special Order No. 8, In Re: Remote Court Proceedings, to facilitate remote court proceedings ("RCPs") in response to the global COVID-19 crisis and international travel restrictions. The Palau Judiciary has also released RCP guidelines, which were developed by the Justices of the Supreme Court based on emerging best practices, to assist the courts and parties in holding fair and effective remote proceedings.

The RCP guidelines are available to the public and can be accessed through the Judiciary's website, <u>http://www.palausupremecourt.net</u>, under "Rules & Other Publications." Questions about the guidelines may be sent by e-mail to Clerk of Courts Allison Sengebau, <u>asengebau@palausupremecourt.net</u>.

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