

**IN THE
SUPREME COURT OF THE REPUBLIC OF PALAU
APPELLATE DIVISION**

Re: Court Operations and Electronic
Filing

**ORDER ALLOWING FILING VIA
EMAIL**

On March 24, 2020, the Judiciary issued COVID-19 Administrative Directive No. 20-02, which instituted procedures aimed at minimizing person-to-person contact and reducing the number of visitors to the Court. The Directive stated: "Filings shall be made through the e-filing system, if possible."

Pursuant to Rule of Appellate Procedure 1(c), and observing Administrative Directive No. 20-02, I hereby authorize attorneys to email their filings until further notice. This order takes effect immediately. Filings that cannot be submitted through the e-filing system should be sent to the Chief Appellate Clerk at vrechebei@palausupremecourt.net *and* to the Deputy Appellate Clerk at lalfonso@palausupremecourt.net. The documents will be marked as filed on the date and time that the email was sent. Any filings via email must be in PDF format and must bear the attorney's signature. Once documents have been processed, copies will be emailed to all counsel of record. Attorneys are instructed to contact the Chief Appellate Clerk with any questions about filing during the COVID-19 pandemic.

SO ORDERED this 31st day of March, 2020.



JOHN K. RECHUCHER
Acting Chief Justice