

STATE OF MINNESOTA

IN SUPREME COURT

CX-89-1863

IN RE HEARING ON PROPOSED AMENDMENTS
TO THE MINNESOTA GENERAL RULES OF PRACTICE
FOR THE DISTRICT COURTS

ORDER

On April 11, 2002, the Minnesota Tribal Court/State Court Forum petitioned the court for adoption of a rule of procedure for the recognition of tribal court orders and judgments. The court requested that the Supreme Court Advisory Committee on the General Rules of Practice consider the rule and make a recommendation. The Advisory Committee filed its recommendations on August 19, 2002. On October 29, 2002, the supreme court held a separate hearing on the matter. The supreme court acknowledges the valuable efforts of the Minnesota Tribal Court/State Court Forum and all other parties who provided comment on the proposed rule and recognizes the significant progress that has been made in the development of tribal courts in Minnesota. Although the court is not prepared to adopt the proposed rule at this time, there is a need for a better procedural framework to facilitate the recognition and enforcement of tribal orders and judgments where there is an existing legislative basis for doing so, especially in emergency situations involving such matters as child protection and domestic violence.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

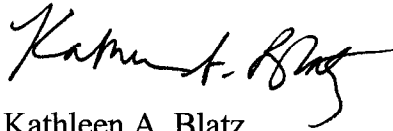
1. The Supreme Court Advisory Committee on the General Rules of Practice shall consider rules to provide a procedural framework for the recognition and enforcement of tribal orders and judgments where there is an existing legislative basis for doing so,

after receiving input from all interested parties and the Advisory Committees on any other court rules that might be affected.

2. The Advisory Committee is encouraged to explore with the Minnesota Tribal Court/State Court Forum a tribal court/state court compact to assure reciprocal commitment to any new rule developed pursuant to paragraph 1 above.

DATED: March 5, 2003

BY THE COURT:



Kathleen A. Blatz
Chief Justice

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