

Cherokee Nation Code Annotated

Title 43: Marriage and Family

Chapter 5: Office of Child Support Services

§ 500. Office of Child Support Services recognized—Duties

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Cherokee Nation hereby recognizes the Office of Child Support Services ("CSS" or "Office") of the Human Services Department. The Legislature further recognizes that CSS may enter into contracts within and without Cherokee Nation for purposes of enforcement of child support orders. In all cases involving unmarried children under the age of eighteen (18) years or through the age of twenty (20) if regularly attending high school, the Court may order that child support be computed and/or collected by CSS.

1. When the Court orders that child support shall be computed and/or collected by CSS, the parties shall be ordered to provide proof of income to CSS within ten (10) business days of the court order. If a party does not comply with such order, then all income alleged by the opposing party shall be accepted as true.

2. When so ordered, CSS shall act as a referee of the Court, compute the amount(s) to be paid as child support, method(s) of payment, and all other necessary determinations within twenty (20) days of the court order. CSS shall provide such determinations to the parties and to the Court for placement in the case file. The Court shall accept the determinations of CSS as a child support order upon receipt.

3. If a party takes issue with a determination of CSS, the party may apply to the Court for a hearing on the matter. If an application for hearing is granted, the matter shall be heard within thirty (30) days.

Historical Data

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