



NCA 18-200

CLASSIFICATION: #25. INTER-GOVERNMENTAL AND INTER-TRIBAL RELATIONS

A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION ESTABLISHING THE "MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AMBASSADOR" IN MCNCA TITLE 25, CHAPTER 5

Be it enacted by the National Council of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation:

SECTION ONE. NEW LAW. The following new Law is hereby enacted:

Section 1-101. Findings. The National Council finds that:

A. The establishment of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation Ambassador would allow for a sustained, broad presence in Washington, D.C.

B. Given the sheer number of agencies, congressional offices, and partner organizations that touch Muscogee (Creek) Nation issues, it is almost impossible for Muscogee (Creek) Nation leadership to be present at many meetings in which Muscogee (Creek) Nation's interests are discussed.

C. The position of Ambassador affirms the inherent sovereignty of Muscogee (Creek) Nation. Historically, the Muscogee (Creek) Nation has sent Mvskoke "emmissaries" to Washington, D.C. to represent the Nation, for instance the esteemed Chitto Harjo, in keeping with the sovereign-to-sovereign relationship the Muscogee (Creek) Nation maintains with the United States.

SECTION TWO. NEW LAW. This following new law shall be codified in Title 25, Chapter 5 of the Code of Laws of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation; provided that for purposes of codification and amendment and its inclusion in pocket parts of the Code Laws of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation, the Attorney General is hereby authorized: (1) to approve any changes related to the manner in which sections, articles, chapters and sub-chapters are designated consistent with the format in the Code of Laws published in 2010 by West Publishing Company; (2) to include footnoted references to the legislative history in said pocket parts to the Code of Laws and; (3) to note in said pocket parts any editorial correction of minor clerical or grammatical errors in the following amendment, without further National Council approval:

Title 25. Inter-Governmental and Inter-Tribal Relations

Chapter 5. Muscogee (Creek) Nation Ambassador

Subchapter 1. Establishment, Duties, Structure

§ 5-101. Muscogee (Creek) Nation Ambassador

The Muscogee (Creek) Nation Ambassador is hereby created as an independent contractual position in the Executive Branch of Muscogee (Creek) Nation's government under the Principal Chief. The Ambassador shall be a citizen of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation and possess no felonies. The Ambassador is not classified as a formal appointed official.

§ 5-102. Duties and Responsibilities of Ambassador

A. The Ambassador shall have the following duties and responsibilities at the discretion of the Principal Chief:

1. Assess and track national policies, laws, and funding opportunities for the Nation;
2. Directly represent the Nation before federal departments such as the Department of the Interior ("DOI") and their high-ranking officials, including but not limited to, the Secretarial and Assistant Secretary level, as well as State governmental bodies, including legislatures, and other non-federal governmental entities when elected Tribal Official are not available;
3. Communicate approved Muscogee (Creek) Nation positions in real time to federal officials in agencies and before the United States Congress;
4. Advocate, develop strategies, including long-term strategic planning, and provide counsel to the Nation on complex issues facing the Nation;
5. Represent the Nation as necessary before inter-tribal governmental bodies and at conferences, meeting, and/or symposia;
6. Provide advice and assistance on threats and opportunities on legislation, court cases, and proposed national policies from current Presidential Executive Orders;
7. Explore available options and make recommendations as to securing a physical Embassy in Washington, D.C. for purposes of further advancing Muscogee (Creek) Nation's diplomatic goals and objectives.
8. A weekly report to the Principal Chief of duties performed of the week and quarterly report to the National Council.

§ 5-103. Term of Office

- A. The Ambassador shall serve a defined term of four years.
- B. The term of the first Ambassador shall constitute a one year term commencing on January 2, 2019 and expire on January 2, 2020. The following term will commence on February 3, 2020 and expire on January 2, 2024. Each consecutive term

shall commence every four years beginning the first Monday in February and expire on January 2 and every four years thereafter.

§5-104. Reporting Structure of Ambassador

A. The Ambassador will be supervised by the Principal Chief and the Ambassador will collaborate with the Muscogee (Creek) National Council leadership and work with the Principal Chief to help ensure that Muscogee (Creek) Nation advocates externally with a unified voice.

B. The Ambassador will have regular engagement with the National Council through regularly scheduled meetings between National Council leadership and the Ambassador. The Ambassador shall notify the Principal Chief of any and all such meetings, and the Principal Chief may participate in such meetings at the Principal Chief's discretion. The National Council will also have the authority to schedule periodic meetings with the Ambassador. A weekly report to the Principal Chief of duties performed of the week and quarterly report to the National Council.

Subchapter 2. Operations

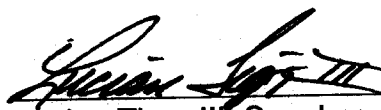
§ 5-201. Salary and Budget for the Muscogee (Creek) Nation Ambassador

The Ambassador will be paid a non-hourly salary of \$200,000.00.

SECTION THREE. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act shall become effective immediately upon proper approval and execution in accordance with the requirements of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation Constitution.

ENACTED by the Muscogee (Creek) National Council on this 15th day of December, 2018.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Speaker of the Muscogee (Creek) National Council has hereto attached his signature.



Lucian Tiger III, Speaker
National Council
Muscogee (Creek) Nation

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, certify that the foregoing is a true extract from the minutes of the Muscogee (Creek) National Council comprised of Sixteen members with **Sixteen** members attending this meeting on the **15th** day of **December, 2018** and that the above is in conformity with the provisions therein adopted by a vote of **13** in favor, **2** against and that said Law has not been rescinded or amended in any way and the above is the signature of the Speaker of the National Council.

Alicia Stroble

Alicia Stroble, Acting Recording Secretary
Muscogee (Creek) National Council

APPROVAL

I, the Principal Chief of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation, hereby affix my signature on this **20th** day of **December**, 2018 to the above Law, **NCA 18-200** authorizing it to become a Law under Article VI., Section VI., of the Constitution of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation.

James R. Floyd

James R. Floyd, Principal Chief
Muscogee (Creek) Nation

