



NCA 22-137

CLASSIFICATION: #16. JUDICIAL BRANCH/COURTS

A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AMENDING MCNCA TITLE 26 § 3-102 D. ENTITLED "Compensation"

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

SECTION ONE. FINDINGS. The National Council finds that:

A. The appeals filed with the Nation's Supreme Court have increased from one (1) to two (2) cases most years to eleven (11) filed in 2021, due to the U.S. Supreme Court's McGirt decision.

B. In addition, the Supreme Court Justices are solely responsible for conducting character and fitness reviews for each new applicant to the Muscogee (Creek) Nation Bar Association. Since the McGirt decision, the number of new bar applicants have increased to five (5) to ten (10) per week.

C. The Justices have not had an increase in compensation in twenty-eight (28) years. The Justices' workload has increased tremendously with the number of cases and Bar applications filed each year. There is a need to increase the Justices' compensation.

SECTION TWO. AMENDMENT. This amendment shall be codified in Title 26, Chapter 3 of the Code of Laws of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation; provided that for purposes of codification of said amendment and its inclusion in pocket parts of the Code of 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:

SECTION THREE. AMENDMENT. MCNCA Title 26 § 3-102 D. is hereby amended to read as follows:

§ 3-102.

D. Compensation. The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court shall be compensated at the rate of ~~one thousand two hundred dollars (\$1,200.00)~~ **two thousand,**

five hundred dollars (\$2,500.00) per month. The Vice-Chief Justice s of the Supreme Court shall be compensated at the rate of two thousand, two hundred fifty dollars (\$2,250.00) per month, and the other Supreme Court Justices shall be compensated at the rate of one thousand, three hundred dollars (\$1,0300.00) per month. Compensation shall have F.I.C.A. and federal income taxes withheld in the same manner as any other employee.

SECTION FOUR. 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 29TH day of October, 2022.

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



William Lowe, Speaker
National Council
Muscogee (Creek) Nation

CERTIFICATION

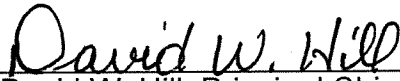
I, the undersigned, certify that the foregoing is a true extract from the minutes of the Muscogee (Creek) National Council comprised of Sixteen members with Sixteen members attending this meeting on the 29th day of October, 2022 and that the above is in conformity with the provisions therein adopted by a vote of 15 in favor, 0 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, Recording Secretary
Muscogee (Creek) National Council

APPROVAL

I, the Principal Chief of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation, hereby affix my signature on this 9th day of November, 2022 to the above Law, **NCA 22-137** authorizing it to become a Law under Article VI., Section VI., of the Constitution of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation.



David W. Hill, Principal Chief
Muscogee (Creek) Nation

