



NCA 12-012

**CLASSIFICATION: #5. CEREMONIAL GROUNDS/CHURCHES**

**A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AMENDING MCNCA TITLE 5 ENTITLED "Ceremonial Grounds/Churches" TO REPLACE LANGUAGE REGARDING STANDING COMMITTEE**

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

**SECTION ONE. AMENDMENT.** These amendments shall be codified in Title 5 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 Codification Committee 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 TWO. AMENDMENT.** MCNCA Title 5, §§1-102. C., 1-103. B., 2-103. C., D., E., and 2-104 are hereby amended to read as follows:

§1-102. Acquisition of sites

C. The Creek Nation Realty, with the National Council Committee on Tribal Affairs Land, Natural Resources & Cultural Preservation shall be responsible for drafting and finalizing the appropriate land lease and/or option to purchase agreement to accommodate the uniqueness of this chapter.

§1-103. Acquisition of access to sites

B. The Creek Nation Realty, with the National Council Committee on Tribal Affairs Land, Natural Resources & Cultural Preservation shall be responsible for drafting and finalizing the appropriate access, right of way, and easement agreement to accommodate the uniqueness of this chapter.

§2-103. Grant award requirements and restrictions

C. The ~~Community Services and Cultural~~ **Land, Natural Resources & Cultural Preservation** Committee of the National Council shall review all qualified applications. All applications will be considered fairly, taking into consideration availability of funds and giving priority based on the urgency and severity of need.

D. The grant award limitation set forth in paragraphs (2), (3), (4), (5) and (6) of this subsection A of this section may be waived in the event that the ~~Community Services and Cultural~~ **Land, Natural Resources & Cultural Preservation** Committee determines that repairs or renovations to the property of a church or ceremonial ground are necessary due to damage cause by a natural disaster.

E. The ~~Community Services and Cultural~~ **Land, Natural Resources & Cultural Preservation** Committee shall provide the Principal Chief with a copy of each application for a grant that has been approved by the Committee. Upon signature of the application by the Principal Chief, the Controller shall pay the grant award to the Church Pastor, Ceremonial Ground Mekko or authorized representative.

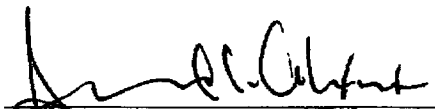
§2-104. Funding request

All funding requests from churches fifty (50) years or older or churches that can provide documentation demonstrating eighty percent (80%) of membership are Tribal Citizens and the sixteen (16) established ceremonial grounds shall only be addressed through the Comprehensive Assistance Grant Program. Any emergency request not qualifying for the Comprehensive Assistance Grant Program shall be referred to the ~~Community Services and Cultural~~ **Land, Natural Resources & Cultural Preservation** Committee to be considered, subject to the availability of funds.

**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 **28th** day of **January** **2012.**

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

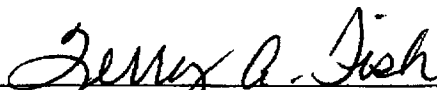


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Samuel S. Alexander, Speaker  
National Council  
Muscogee (Creek) Nation

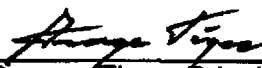
**CERTIFICATION**

I, the undersigned, certify that the foregoing is a true extract from the minutes of the Muscogee (Creek) National Council comprised of Eighteen members with **Fourteen** members attending this meeting on the **28th day of January, 2012** and that the above is in conformity with the provisions therein adopted by a vote of **13** 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.

  
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Terry A. Fish, Recording Secretary  
Muscogee (Creek) National Council

**APPROVAL**

I, the Principal Chief of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation, hereby affix my signature this 28 day of Feb, 2012, to the above Law, **NCA 12-012** authorizing it to become a Law under Article VI., Section VI., of the Constitution of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation.

  
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George Tiger, Principal Chief  
Muscogee (Creek) Nation

