

**KIOWA TRIBE
KIOWA INDIAN COUNCIL MEETING
APRIL 7, 2018
RED BUFFALO HALL, CARNEGIE, OK
RESOLUTION NUMBER: _____**

DATE POSTED:

DATE APPROVED:

SUBJECT: POLICY CONCERNING THE TRIBAL COURT AND JUDGES

WHEREAS: the Kiowa Tribe is a sovereign nation since time immemorial and is federally recognized as a Tribal Government by the United States; and,

WHEREAS: The Kiowa Tribe is organized under a Constitution approved by tribal membership on April 17, 2017, and approved by the Secretary of the Interior, U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs on May 5, 2017; and,

WHEREAS: Article V, section 3(b) of the Constitution grants the Kiowa Indian Council the power to set policy for the Tribe, and shall have all other powers and duties specifically provided by the Constitution

WHEREAS: **It shall be policy of the Tribal Court that all Judges be elected by the Kiowa Indian Council. The history of Judges who are appointed by elected official can also be removed by elected officials. AND,**

WHEREAS: **Every effort shall be made to incorporate and codify Tribal traditional law into the court system. This is who we are. AND,**

WHEREAS: **The Court rules and process should be developed for the Kiowa Tribe and not use the State rules and process. AND,**

WHEREAS: **There shall not be one petition put before the Kiowa Court unless and until the Court is fully operable. Kiowas never are supposed to do things “Hi-Gah-hain” or anyway. AND,**

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED; that the Kiowa Indian Council hereby; adopts this policy concerning the Kiowa Court and this will supersede any and all Tribal action of any elected officials, where applicable.

2018 KIOWA INDIAN COUNCIL OF THE KIOWA TRIBE

Chairperson

ATTEST:

Secretary, Kiowa Indian Council

KIOWA INDIAN COUNCIL, RESOLUTION NO. _____:

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution was duly voted upon by the 2018 Annual Kiowa Indian Council of the Kiowa Tribe; was present at the duly called Annual Kiowa Indian Council Meeting held on the 7th day of April 2018, and that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the affirmative vote:

For: _____ Opposed: _____ Abstention: _____

Secretary, Kiowa Indian Council