

**RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF  
THE THREE AFFILIATED TRIBES OF THE  
FORT BERTHOLD RESERVATION**

**WHEREAS,** This Nation having accepted the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934, and the authority under said Act; and

**WHEREAS,** The Constitution of the Three Affiliated Tribes generally authorizes and empowers the Tribal Business Council to engage in activities on behalf of and in the interest of the welfare and benefit of the Tribes and of the enrolled members thereof; and

**WHEREAS,** Title I, Chapter 1, Section 4.2 of the Fort Berthold Tribal Code specifically authorizes and directs the Tribal Business Council to appoint licensed attorneys to each serve in the capacity of Associate Judge on a calendar year basis; and

**WHEREAS,** It is the considered judgment of the Tribal Business Council that the Judiciary of the Three Affiliated Tribes must maintain exceptionally qualified judicial officers to uphold the laws and customs of the Tribes; and

**WHEREAS,** The Tribal Business Council has selected P. Diane Johnson, B.J. Jones, Mike Swallow, and Terry Pechota and Pete Furuseth to serve as the rotating Associate Judges in the Fort Berthold District Court during calendar year 2003; and

**WHEREAS,** The above-named individuals are licensed attorneys and have significant experience in the area of federal Indian law and with tribal judicial forums;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** That the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes hereby formally appoints **P. Diane Johnson, B.J. Jones, Mike Swallow, and Terry Pechota and Pete Furuseth** to serve as Associate Judges in the Fort Berthold District Court during calendar year 2003.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** That the Tribal Business Council hereby assigns the respective appointees to each serve on a rotating basis as presiding Associate Judge during the calendar year 2003 quarters as follows:

BJ Jones:

1<sup>st</sup> Quarter (January, February, March)

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Mike Swallow:	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter (April, May, June)
Terry Pechota:	3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter (July, August, September)
P. Diane Johnson:	4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter (October, November, December)
Pete Furuseth	As needed

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That the rate of compensation for each appointee shall be Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) per day per court session, in addition to reimbursement of documented travel expenses.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That the Tribal Business Council hereby directs the Fort Berthold District Court to prepare the appropriate consultant agreements for the respective appointees identified hereinabove, and to specify that the rate of compensation shall be Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) per day per court session, in addition to reimbursement of documented travel expenses.

**CERTIFICATION**

I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Reservation, hereby certify that the Tribal Business Council is composed of 7 members of whom 5 constitute a quorum, 6 were present at a Regular Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the 12 day of December, 2002; that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at such Meeting by the affirmative vote of 6 members, 0 members opposed, 0 members abstained, 1 not voting, and that said Resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Dated this 12 day of December, 2002.

Randy PLC  
Secretary, Tribal Business Council

ATTEST:  
[Signature]  
Chairman, Tribal Business Council