



National Congress of American Indians

2016 - 2017 TRIBAL MEMBERSHIP CREDENTIAL PROCESS

NCAI Membership is made up of Tribes and Individuals who have met the eligibility criteria and the payment of dues as outlined in Article III of the NCAI By-Laws. **Annual membership dues shall be due and payable at the Annual Convention of each year.**

All members are determined to be in good standing upon full payment of tribal dues. To become a Member Tribe in good standing, please complete these important steps:

1. Submit the attached Tribal Membership Application.
2. Submit a current year Tribal Resolution for membership by re-typing the attached template on your Tribal letterhead.
3. Submit the attached Individual membership Application.
4. Mail all of the above-referenced documents along with your payment to:

**National Congress of American Indians
1516 P Street NW
Washington, DC 20005
ATTN: MEMBER DUES**

Articles from the National Congress of American Indians Constitution and By-Laws applicable to the Membership Process:

Article III: MEMBERS

Section B: Tribal Membership

Any Tribe, band or identifiable group of American Indians or Alaska Natives shall be eligible for tribal membership provided it shall fulfill all the following requirements:

1. A substantial number of its members reside upon the same reservation or, in the absence of a reservation, in the same general locality;
2. It maintains a tribal organization, with regular officers and the means of transacting business and arriving at a reasonably accurate count of its membership;
3. It is not a mere offshoot or fraction of an organized Tribe, itself eligible for membership; and
4. It is recognized as a Tribe or other identifiable group of American Indians or Alaska Natives by the Department of the Interior, Court of Claims, the Indian Claims Commission, or a State.

Article III: MEMBERS

Section C: Dues - In accordance with the following table:

Income	Dues
Over \$30 million	\$ 25,000
Over \$20 million to \$30 million	\$ 15,000
Over \$10 million to \$20 million	\$ 10,000
Over \$5 million to \$10 million	\$ 5,500
Over \$1 million to \$5 million	\$ 1,100
Over \$500,000 to \$1 million	\$ 550
\$0 to \$500,000	\$ 110

**If income exceeds \$60 million
please consider increasing your
dues as a contribution to NCAI.**

Article III: MEMBERS

Section B 1d: Votes

Each individual member is entitled to one vote. Each member tribe is entitled to 100-180 votes, depending upon the enrollment of the Tribe. Each member Tribe shall vote in accordance with the following table:

Tribal Enrollment	Number of Votes
Up to & including 500	100
501 to 1500	110
1501 to 2500	120
2501 to 3500	130
3501 to 4500	140
4501 to 5500	150
5501 to 6500	160
6501 to 7500	170
over 7500	180

For more information contact NCAI at 202-466-7767.



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2016 - 2017 TRIBAL MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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NEW MEMBERSHIP

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MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

TRIBAL DUES AMOUNT: \$ _____

TRIBE: _____

TITLE/TRIBAL LEADER: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____ FAX: _____

CONTACT E-MAIL: _____

GENERAL TRIBAL E-MAIL: _____

WEBSITE: _____

Tribal Membership provides Broadcasts and Alerts to two [2] E-Mail Addresses: [Please print clearly]

Name: _____ E-mail #1: _____

Name: _____ E-mail #2: _____

Please configure your spam filter to allow for NCAI electronic broadcasts and alerts

CHECK # _____

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Enclosed is a check or money order payable to the National Congress of American Indians

TO PAY BY CREDIT CARD: Please call (202) 466-7767

NCAI STAFF USE ONLY [Please do not write in this area]

Payment Received: \$ _____ Date: _____ Received By: _____

Credit Card Authorization Number: _____ Check #: _____

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NCAI TEMPLATE: TRIBAL MEMBERSHIP RESOLUTION

[RE-TYPE THIS ON YOUR TRIBAL LETTERHEAD]

WHEREAS, the _____ wishes to become a Member Indian/Native Government in Good Standing with the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI); and

WHEREAS, the _____ Tribe/Nation meets all requirements for Tribal Membership, pursuant to Article III - Members, Section B of the Constitution and By-Laws of NCAI; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the _____, which is the official governing body of the above- named Tribe/Nation, hereby authorizes _____ who is the official principal tribal official, to take the necessary action to place the Tribe/Nation in Membership with NCAI; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Tribal funds in the amount of \$ _____, based on the Tribal Membership dues schedule in the NCAI By-Laws, Article III - Members, Section C 2 are authorized to be paid for NCAI membership; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that based on the tribal enrollment of _____ persons, the Tribe/Nation shall have _____ votes, in accordance with Article III - Members, Section B 1d; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that, pursuant to Article III - Members, Section B 1b of the NCAI Constitution and By-Laws, the Tribe/Nation designates the following persons as Delegate and Alternate Delegate(s) and instructs them to become Individual Members in Good Standing with NCAI in order to fulfill their responsibilities as Official Delegates and Alternate Delegates to the National Congress of Americans Indians Annual Convention, Executive Council Winter Session and Mid Year Conference.

(Please provide expiration date for term of office)

Delegate: _____ Signature: _____

Title: _____ Term Expiration Date: _____

Alternate: _____ Signature: _____

Title: _____ Term Expiration Date: _____

Alternate: _____ Signature: _____

Title: _____ Term Expiration Date: _____

[Number of Alternate Delegates is determined by Tribe]

Process a current year Resolution in accordance with your procedures and mail your Tribal Resolution along with the Tribal Membership Application and Membership Dues to:

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