



National Congress of American Indians

2009-2010 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**

**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 2: Dues - In accordance with the following table:

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

If Revenue 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

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2009-2010 TRIBAL MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

NEW MEMBERSHIP

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

TRIBAL DUES AMOUNT: \$ _____

TRIBE: _____

TRIBAL LEADER: _____ TITLE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____ FAX: _____

E-MAIL: _____

GENERAL TRIBAL E-MAIL: _____

WEBSITE: _____

Tribal Membership provides Broadcasts and Alerts to **three [3]** E-Mail Addresses: [Please print clearly]

Name: _____ E-Mail #1: _____

Name: _____ E-Mail #2: _____

Name: _____ E-Mail #3: _____

[Please Configure your Spam Filter to Allow for NCAI Electronic Broadcasts and Alerts]

CHECK # _____

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

CREDIT CARD [Form may be faxed to 202-466-7797, if paying by credit card]

Visa Mastercard

Card Number: _____ Exp. Date: _____

Cardholder Name: _____

Signature: _____

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

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

Credit Card Authorization Number: _____ Check #: _____ CVENT ENL
WEB

For More Information Contact Bernida Humetewa, Director of Membership at bhumetewa@ncai.org or 505-867-0203

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 ByLaws 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 B1(b) 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 American 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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2009-2010 INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

YES! I support the continuing work and purpose of the National Congress of American Indians and I want to become a Member in good standing

- \$40 Individual Indian Member**
One Vote, NCAI Broadcasts and Alerts sent to One E-Mail - **OR** - to One Fax Number, The Sentinel, Reduced Conference Rates and a Membership Card
- \$40 Individual Associate Member**
Non-Voting, NCAI Broadcasts and Alerts sent to One E-Mail - **OR** - to One Fax Number, The Sentinel, Reduced Conference Rates and a Membership Card
- \$500 Organization Associate Member**
Non-Voting, NCAI Broadcasts and Alerts sent to Two E-Mails - **OR** - to One Fax Number, The Sentinel, Reduced Conference Rates for two and a Membership Card
- \$1000 Individual Indian LIFETIME Member**
Lifetime Voting, NCAI Broadcasts and Alerts sent to One E-Mail - **OR** - to One Fax Number, The Sentinel, Reduced Conference Rates and a Lifetime Membership Card

[Membership will commence after the 66th Annual Convention - October 11-16, 2009]

I AM INCLUDING A TAX DEDUCTIBLE DONATION OF:

\$50 \$100 \$250 \$500 Other

*** Required Fields**

* Name: _____

* Title: _____

* Tribe/Tribal Affiliation/Organization: _____

* Address: _____

* City: _____ * State: _____ * Zip: _____

* Telephone: _____ [OR] Fax: _____

* E-Mail Address: _____

[Please Configure your spam filter to allow NCAI electronic Broadcasts & Alerts]

For Organization Associate Membership Use Only:

* E-Mail Address #2: _____

* Website: _____

PAYMENT INFORMATION

Enclosed is a Check or Money Order [Mail to: NCAI, 1516 P Street NW, Washington, DC 20005]

If paying by Credit Card, this form may be faxed to NCAI at 202-466-7797

Visa Card Number: _____

Mastercard Name: _____ Expiration Date: _____

Signature: _____

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

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

Credit Card Authorization Number: _____ Check Number: _____ Cvent ENL

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