



WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

*A Sovereign Nation Exercising Self-Governance
Over the Fort Apache Indian Reservation*

Resolution No. 05-2013-116A

(Recognizing Tribal Attorney's New Title of Attorney General)

WHEREAS, Atty. Jim Palmer brought a minor issue to the Council's attention regarding his title of "Tribal Attorney." As explained to the Council, the title is generic in nature, and could refer to his subordinates/staff and more importantly, off the Reservation, it becomes more difficult to convey the magnitude of the responsibilities that are required of the Tribe's in-house legal counsel; and

WHEREAS, in order to more clearly explain to the outside world what the function of the Legal Department is, Jim Palmer has suggested that a more common phrase used to designate a Sovereign's State General Counsel is that of "Attorney General"; and

WHEREAS, although some members of the Council were not too keen on the name change as a matter of an inconvenience to them personally, the Council generally recognized that a title change alone is inconsequential and if the title of Attorney General helps the Legal Department better relate to public officials and the business world off the Reservation, then the Tribal Council finds no reason to deny such a request.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby formally recognizes the Tribal Attorney's new title of "Attorney General." The Legal Department may now be referred to as the Office of the Attorney General for clarity. None of the responsibilities of the office have been modified pursuant to this change of title; the new title of Attorney General simply clarifies the role that the office has undertaken for many decades now.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby directs that in the event that this Resolution conflicts with a prior Resolution or Policy, this Resolution shall supersede and govern over the conflicting subject matter.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby directs that in the event this Resolution directly conflicts with the Tribal Constitution, Tribal Ordinances or Federal Laws, this Resolution shall be declared null and void and have no legal effect.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the Chairman, or in his absence, the Acting Chairman, is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the intent of this Resolution. In the event that the Chairman fails to delegate signatory authority to an Acting Chairman, the Vice-Chairman may sign.

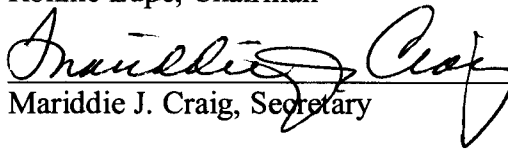
The foregoing resolution was on May 20, 2013 duly adopted by a vote of SIX for ONE against and ZERO abstentions by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to the authority vested in it by Article IV, Section 1 (a), (b), (d), (i), (s), (t) and (u) of the Tribal Constitution, ratified by the Tribe September 30, 1993, and approved by the Secretary of the Interior on November 12, 1993, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984).



Ronnie Lupe, Chairman

7/2/13

Date



Mariddie J. Craig, Secretary

07/01/2013

Date