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Nelis S. Captain Second Chief Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma P.O. Box 350 Seneca, Missouri 64865

Dear Chief Captain:

This letter responds to your request to review and approve the tribal gaming ordinance adopted by the Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma (Tribe) on December 7, 1994. This letter constitutes such approval under the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act (IGRA).

Under the IGRA and the regulations of the National Indian Gaming Commission (NIGC), the Chairman is directed to review ordinances with respect to the requirements of the IGRA and the implementing regulations. Thus, the scope of the Chairman's review and approval is limited to the requirements of the IGRA and the NIGC regulations. Provisions other than those required under the IGRA or the NIGC regulations that may be included in a tribal ordinance are not subject to review and approval. Such approval does not constitute approval of specific games. Also, the gaming ordinance is approved for gaming only on Indian lands as defined in the IGRA.

With the Chairman's approval of the Tribe's gaming ordinance, the Tribe is now required to conduct background investigations on its key employees and primary management officials. The NIGC expects to receive a completed application for each key employee and primary management official pursuant to 25 C.F.R. § 556.5(a) and an investigative report on each background investigation before issuing a license to a key employee or primary management official pursuant to 25 C.F.R. § 556.5(b).

Thank you for submitting the ordinance of the Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma for review and approval. The NIGC staff and I look forward to working with you and the Tribe in implementing the IGRA.

Sincerely yours,

Harold A. Monteau

Chairman



# EASTERN SHAWNEE TRIBE OF OKLAHOMA

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# RESOLUTION

**RESOLUTION NUMBER 12794-1** 

WHEREAS, the Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma's Business Committee is empowered to act behalf of the Tribe as per Article IX of the Constitution of the Tribe, and

WHEREAS, the Eastern Shawnee Tribe is a Federally recognized Tribe, and

WHEREAS, the Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma is committed to the concept of Indian Tribes functioning as governments, and

WHEREAS, the Tribe in order to maintain and expand its capabilities in strengthening the Tribe in becoming more self-sufficient does place emphasis on economic development, a sound management structure, an informed knowledgeable governing body, as well as Tribal Members, and

WHEREAS, no elected official will benefit from this.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Business Committee does here by approve the attached Gaming Ordinance subject to amendment as required and said Gaming Ordinance will become effective immediately.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

The foregoing action being duly taken at a regular Business Committee meeting of the Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma conducted on 12-07-94 with a quorum present and voting. The vote reflecting  $\underline{\mathcal{L}}$  for,  $\underline{\mathcal{O}}$  against,  $\underline{\mathcal{O}}$  abstaining, MOTION CARRIED  $\underline{X}$  YES or \_\_\_NO.

Nelis S. Captain, 2nd Chief Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma Debra Scribner, Secretary
Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma

**EXECUTIVE BRANCH** 

Vetoed: [Yes \_\_], [No X] Date: 12-8-94 Time: 11:00 Am.

George J. Captain, Chief

Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma

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# EASTERN SHAWNEE GAMING CODE

December 7, 1994

#### EASTERN SHAWNEE GAMING CODE

#### 1001. Purpose

The Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma (hereinafter "Tribe") hereby enacts this ordinance in order to set the terms for gaming operations on Tribal lands.

#### 1002. Gaming Authorized

Class 11 gaming as defined in the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act, P.L. 100-447, 25 U.S.C. 2703 Section (7) ss (a) ("IGRA") and by the regulations promulgated by the National Indian Gaming Commission at 25 C.F.R. ss 502.3 (as published in the Federal Register at 57 FR 1238-12393, April 9, 1992) is hereby authorized. Class 111 gaming as defined in the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act, P.L. 100-447, 25 U.S.C. 2703 Section (8), and by regulations promulgated by the National Indian Gaming Commission, is authorized only to the extent allowed by such law and pursuant to an approved Tribal State Compact.

#### 1003. Ownership of Gaming

The Tribe shall have the sole propriety interest in and responsibility for the conduct of any gaming operation authorized by this ordinance.

#### 1004. Use of Gaming Revenue

- A. Net revenues from gaming shall be used only for the following purposes: to fund tribal government operations and programs: provide for the general welfare of the Tribe and its members: promote Tribal economic development: donate to charitable organizations: or help fund operations of local government agencies.
- B. No Per Capita payments to tribal members shall be made from Gaming Revenue unless pursuant to IGRA, 2710 Section (11) ss (3).

#### 1005. Audit

- A. The Tribe shall cause to be conducted annually an independent audit of gaming operations and shall submit the resulting audit reports to the National Indian Gaming Commission.
- B. All gaming related contracts that result in the purchase of supplies, services, or concessions in excess of \$25,000.00 annually, except contracts for professional legal and accounting services, shall be specifically included within the scope of the audit that is described in subsection A above this section.

#### 1006. Protection of the Environment and Public Health and Safety

All gaming facilities shall be constructed, maintained and operated in a manner that adequately protects the environment and the public health and safety.

#### 1007. Licenses for Key Employees and Primary Management Officials

The Tribe shall ensure that the policies and procedures set out in this section are implemented with respect to key employees enterprise operated on Indian lands.

#### A. Definitions

For the purposes of this section, the following definitions apply:

- 1. Key employee means
  - (a) A person who performs one or more of the following functions:
    - (1) Bingo caller;
    - (2) Counting room supervisor;
    - (3) Chief of security;
    - (4) Custodian of gaming supplies or cash;
    - (5) Floor manager;
    - (6) Pit boss;
    - (7) Dealer;
    - (8) Croupier;
    - (9) Approver of credit; or
    - (10) Custodian of gambling devices including persons with access to cash and accounting records within such devices:
  - (b) If not otherwise included, any other person whose total cash compensation is in excess of \$50,00 per year; or
  - (c) If not otherwise included, the four must highly compensated persons in the gaming operation.
- 2. Primary management official means
  - (a) The person having management responsibility for a management contract;
  - b) Any person who has authority:
    - (1) To hire and fire employees; or

- (2) To set up working policy for the gaming operation; or
- (c) The chief financial officer or other person who has financial management responsibility.

#### B. Application Forms

l. The following notice shall be placed on the application form for a key employee or a primary management official before that form is filled out by an application:

In compliance with the privacy Act of 1974, the following information is provided: Solicitation of the information on this form is authorized by 25 U.S.C. 2701 et seq. The purpose of the requested information is to determine the eligibility of individuals to be employed in a gaming operation. The information will be used by National Indian Gaming Commission members and staff who have need for the information in the performance of their official duties. The information may be disclosed to appropriate Federal, Tribal, State, local, or foreign law enforcement and regulatory agencies when relevant to civil, criminal or regulatory investigations or prosecutions or when pursuant to a requirement by a tribe or the National Indian Gaming Commission in connection with the hiring or firing of an employee, the issuance or revocation of a gaming license, or investigations of activities while associated with a Tribe or a gaming operation. Failure to consent to the disclosures indicated in this notice will result in a Tribe's being unable to hire you in a primary management official or key employee position. The disclosure of your Social Security Number (SSN) is voluntary. However, failure to supply a SSN may result in errors in processing your application.

- 2. Existing key employees and primary management officials shall be notified in writing that they shall either:
  - (a) Complete a new application form that contains a Privacy Act notice:
  - (b) Sign a statement that contains the Privacy Act notice and consent to the routine uses described in that notice.
- 3. The following notice shall be placed on the application form for a key employee or a primary official before that form is filled out by an applicant:

A false statement on any part of your application may be grounds for not hiring you, or for firing you after you begin work. Also, you may be

punished by fine or imprisonment. (US. Code, title 18, section 1001.)

- 4. The Tribe shall notify in writing existing key employees and primary management officials that they shall either:
  - (a) Complete a new application form that contains a notice regarding false statements; or
  - (b) Sign a statement that contains the notice regarding false statements.

### C. Background Investigations

- 1. The Tribe shall request from each primary management official and from each key employee all of the following information:
  - (a) Full name, other names used (oral or written), social security number (s), birth date, place of birth, citizenship, gender, all languages (spoken or written);
  - (b) Currently and for the previous 5 years: business and employment positions held, ownership interests in those businesses, business and residence addresses, and drivers license numbers;
  - (c) The names and current addresses of at least three personal references, including one personal reference who was acquainted with the applicant during each period of residence listed under paragraph (1) (b) of the section;
  - (d) Current business and residence telephone numbers;
  - (e) A description of any existing and previous business relationships with Indian Tribes, including ownership interests in those businesses;
  - (f) A description of any existing and previous business relationships with the gaming industry generally, including ownership interests in those businesses;
  - (g) The name and address of any licensing or regulatory agency with which the person has filed an application for a license or permit related to gaming, whether or not such license or permit was granted;

- (h) For each felony for which there is an ongoing prosecution or a conviction, the charge, the name and address of the court involved, and the date and disposition if any;
- (i) For each misdemeanor conviction or ongoing misdemeanor prosecution (excluding minor traffic violations), within 10 years of the date of the application, the name and address of the court involved and the date and disposition;
- (j) For each criminal charge (excluding minor traffic charges), whether or not there is a conviction, if such criminal charge is within 10 years of the date of the application and is not otherwise listed pursuant to paragraph (1) (h) or (1) (i) or this section, the criminal charge, the name and address of the criminal charge, the name and address of the sate and disposition;
- (k) The name and address of any licensing or regulatory agency with which the person has filed an application for an occupational license or permit, whether or not such license or permit was granted;
- (l) A current photograph with notarized affidavit as to date taken ad person depicted;
- (m) Any other information the Tribe deems relevant; and
- (n) Fingerprints consistent with procedures adopted by the Tribe according to 25 C.F.R. ss 522.2 (h).
- 2. The Tribe shall conduct an investigation sufficient to make a determination under subsection D. below. In conducting a background investigation, the Tribe or its agent shall promise to keep confidential the identity of each person interviewed in the course of the investigation.

#### D. Eligibility Determination

The Tribe shall review a person's prior activities, criminal record, if any, and reputation, habits and eligibility of a key employee or primary management official for employment in a gaming operation. If the Tribe determines that employment of the person poses a threat to the public interest or to the effective regulation of gaming, or creates or enhances dangers of unsuitable, unfair, or illegal practices and methods and activities in the conduct of gaming, a Tribal gaming operation shall not employ that person in a key employee or primary management official position.

- E. <u>Procedures for Forwarding Applications and Reports for Key Employees and Primary Management Officials to the National Indian Gaming Commission</u>
  - 1. When a key employee or primary management official begins work at a gaming operation authorized by this ordinance, the Tribe shall forward to the National Indian Gaming Commission a completed application for employment and conduct the background investigation and make the determination referred to in subsection D of this section.
  - 2. The Tribe shall forward the report referred to in subsection F of this section to the National Indian Gaming Commission within 60 days after an employee begins work or within 60 days of the approval of this ordinance by the Chairman of the National Indian Gaming Commission.
  - 3. The gaming operation shall not employ as a key employee or primary management official a person who does not have a license after 90 days.
  - F. Report to the National Indian Gaming Commission
    - 1. Pursuant to the procedures set out in subsection E of this section, the Tribe shall prepare and forward to the National Indian Gaming Commission an investigative report on each background investigation. An investigative report shall include all of the following:
      - (a) Steps taken in conducting a background investigation:
      - (b) Results obtained;
      - (c) Conclusions reached; and
      - (d) The basis for those conclusions.
    - 2. The Tribe shall submit, with the report, a copy of the eligibility determination made under subsection D of this section.
    - 3. If a license is not issued to an applicant, the Tribe:
      - (a) Shall notify the National Indian Gaming Commission; and
      - (b) May forward copies of its eligibility determination and investigative report (if any) to the National Indian Gaming Commission for inclusion in the Indian Gaming Individuals Records System.
    - 4. With respect to key employees and primary management officials, the Tribe shall retain applications for employment and reports (if any) of background

investigations for inspection by the Chairman of the National Indian Gaming Commission or his or her designee for no less than three (3) years from the date of termination of employment.

#### G. Granting a Gaming License

- 1. If, within a thirty (30) day period after the National Indian Gaming Commission receives a report, the National Indian Gaming Commission notifies the tribe that it has no objection to the issuance of a license pursuant to a license application filed by a key employee or a primary management official for whom the Tribe has provided an application and investigative report to the National Indian Gaming Commission, the Tribe may issue a license to such applicant.
- 2. The Tribe shall respond to a request for additional information from the Chairman of the National Indian Gaming Commission concerning a key employee or a primary management official who is the subject of a report. Such a request shall suspend the thirty (30) day period under paragraph G. 1. of this section until the chairman of the National Indian Gaming Commission receives the Additional information.
- 3. If, within the thirty (30) day period described above, the National Indian Gaming Commission provides the Tribe with a statement itemizing objections to the issuance of a license to a key employee or to a primary management official for whom the Tribe has provided an application and investigative report to the National Indian Gaming Commission, the Tribe shall reconsider the application, taking into account the objections itemized by the National Indian Gaming Commission. The Tribe shall make the final decision to issue a license to such applicant.

## H. <u>License Suspension</u>

- 1. If, after the issuance of a gaming license, the Tribe receives from the National Indian Gaming Commission reliable information indicating that a key employee or a primary management official is not eligible for employment under subsection D. above, the Tribe shall suspend such license and shall notify in writing the licensee of the suspension and the proposed revocation.
- 2. The Tribe shall notify the licensee of a time and a place for a hearing on the proposed revocation of a license.
- 3. After a revocation hearing, the Tribe shall decide to revoke or to reinstate a gaming license. The Tribe shall notify the National Indian Gaming Commission of its decision.

#### I. License Locations

The Tribe shall issue a separate license to each place, facility, or location on Indian lands where gaming is conducted under this ordinance.

#### J. Repeal

All prior gaming ordinances of the Tribe are hereby repealed.

#### 1008. Gaming Commissioner

The office of Gaming Commissioner of the Tribe is hereby created. Such officer shall take an oath similar to that of elected officials and be sworn to service.

#### 1009. Gaming Commissioner Term

The Gaming Commissioner of the Tribe shall serve a term of four years from the date of oath of office.

#### 1010. Selection of Gaming Commissioner

At any time when a vacancy occurs in the office of Gaming Commissioner, the office shall be filled by nomination of the Chief and confirmation by the Business Committee. After written nomination by the Chief, the Chairman of the Business Committee shall put the appointment upon the agenda of the next regular or specially called Business Committee meeting and at such meeting, address the selection. The Business Committee shall have thirty (30) days from written nomination to confirm the appointment. Should the Business Committee fail to confirm the nomination by the Chief within the prescribed time period, the Chief shall make another nomination. This process shall continue until a nomination is confirmed. Nothing herein shall require that a Gaming Commissioner be appointed.

#### 1011. Interim Gaming Commissioner

An Interim Gaming Commissioner may be selected in the same manner as the Gaming Commissioner anytime a vacancy in the office exists. No person shall serve as Interim Gaming Commissioner more than 60 days before the qualifications of office are met. Should it be determined that the Interim Gaming Commissioner does not meet the qualifications of such office, upon such determination, the term of office shall expire.

#### 1012. Gaming Commissioner Removal

A Gaming Commissioner may be removed from office at any time upon a vote of no confidence by a majority of the members of the Eastern Shawnee Business Committee in a regular or special meeting.

#### 1013. Gaming Commissioner Qualifications

Prior to any nomination of a Gaming Commissioner for the Tribe by the Chief, such person shall have passed a background investigation, examination and check of the same nature as a key employee of a gaming enterprise pursuant to Section 1007. Nothing in this section shall prohibit a person from serving as Interim Gaming Commissioner pending the outcome of key employee review. A person may serve as Interim Gaming Commissioner only until background review is completed. Thereafter, such person shall be nominated for Gaming Commissioner within 30 days or his appointment shall terminate. Should an Interim Gaming Commissioner fail to pass the background review, he shall be deemed immediately terminated...

#### 1014. Gaming Commissioner Salary

The Gaming Commissioner or Interim Gaming Commissioner shall be paid a salary set by the Eastern Shawnee Tribal Business Committee, provided that the salary shall not be decreased while the Gaming Commissioner remains in office. Nothing herein prevents decrease of Interim Gaming Commissioner salary or requires that an Interim Gaming Commissioner be paid any salary.

#### 1015. Absence of a Gaming Commissioner

In the absence of a Gaming Commissioner or Interim Gaming Commissioner, the Business Committee of the Tribe shall be responsible to perform such duties either by delegation to one or more of its members, one or more of its employees, and/or one or more of its attorneys.

#### 1016. Duties and Authority of Gaming Commissioner

The Gaming Commissioner shall be responsible to determine that provisions of the Gaming Code are followed and may exercise any proper power and authority necessary to perform the duties assigned. Such Commissioner shall be responsible to make regulations which shall include but not be limited to:

- A. Design forms for background checks; and employee applications;
- B. Design and describe procedures for conducting background checks;
- C. Design and describe procedures to issue Tribal licenses to primary management officials and key employees;
- D. Design and describe procedures for resolving disputes between the gaming public and the Tribe or the Gaming enterprise management;
- E. Designate an agent for service of legal notice; and.
- F. Designate a law enforcement agency that will take fingerprints;

- G. Design and describe procedures for conducting criminal and credit history and checks:
- H. Design and describe procedures to prevent theft and insure the integrity of the gaming enterprise;
- I. Design and describe procedures for collection of license fees, taxes, other fees and levies as the same relates to the gaming enterprise;
- J. Supervise collection of all gaming enterprise receipts and the payment of gaming enterprise obligations.

#### 1017. Regulations

Any regulations promulgated by the Gaming Commissioner shall have full force and effect from the date of issuance, provided however, the Business Committee may by affirmative action repeal, amend and/or enact such regulations. Any regulation enacted by the Business Committee shall not be subject to amendment by the Gaming Commissioner. Nonetheless, the Commissioner may withdraw, replace or amend any regulation that he has made.

#### 1018. Notice of Proposed Regulations

- A. In adopting, amending or repealing any regulations under this code, the Gaming Commissioner shall give a minimum of five (5) days notice of proposed regulations changes to all key employees, primary management officials, and the members of the Business Committee and the Chief.
- B. No notice is required for regulation changes made by the Eastern Shawnee Tribal Business Committee.
- C. Notice shall be deemed made by regular posting to the address of all persons described herein, by hand delivery from the Gaming Commissioner or his designate, or by telephone confirmed facsimile.

#### 1019. Notice of Regulations

- A. A copy of all adopted regulations shall be maintained at the Tribal Office and Gaming Enterprise.
- B. Copies will be available to the public for copy costs of twenty five cents (\$.25) per page at either location.

#### 1020. Suspension of License or Right to Participate in Gaming

The Gaming Commissioner shall have the right to suspend any licensee, employee, or participant in gaming for violation of any Tribal Regulations Tribal Compact, Tribal Ordinance, Federal Regulations or Federal Law. Such suspension shall be for a period of not more than ninety (90) days for licensees and not more than two (2) years for participants in gaming. Prior to any such suspension the person reviewed shall:

- A. Be given notice of specific facts, concerning the violation alleged. Such allegation shall describe in writing the offense and give ten (10) days prior the any hearing;
- B. Such notice of proceedings shall be accomplished by regular mail to the last know address and by publicly posting the same within gaming enterprise. Service by mail is not necessary if the Gaming Commissioner has no address for the person or entity;
- C. At the hearing, the Gaming Commissioner shall state the Gaming Commissioner's understanding of the facts and allow the person or entity subject to the hearing the opportunity to be heard and present evidence;
- D. At the hearing the subject shall show cause that specific facts alleged are inaccurate or that special conditions exist which should mitigate suspension;
- E. Following the hearing, the Gaming Commissioner shall issue in writing an order regarding the subject within seven (7) days, or the matter shall be deemed dismissed. If a suspension order is made, it shall state:
  - 1. The specific violation of law or regulation of the subject, and
  - 2. The suspension period imposed stating beginning date and concluding date of suspension.
- F. Notice of order shall be accomplished in the same manner as notice of proceedings.

#### 1021. Suspended Persons

All persons or entities that are subject to the suspension order shall be excluded from the gaming enterprise during such suspension. The Gaming Commissioner shall have the authority to direct gaming enterprise security to enforce the exclusion of any person suspended under terms of Section 1022.

#### 1022. Informants

The Gaming Commissioner may refuse to reveal, at any court proceedings, the identity of any informant.

#### 1023. Public Hearings

The Gaming Commissioner shall hold public hearings not less than annually to allow public comment about operation of the gaming enterprise. The manager of any gaming enterprise shall attend such hearings and may be directed by the Gaming Commissioner to respond to questions or explain operations at the Gaming Commissioner's discretion.

#### 1024. **Depositions**

The Gaming Commissioner shall have authority upon three (3) days written notice to depose any licensee, employee or gaming participant.

#### 1025. Submission of Documents

Any document, affidavit, return or report fee, instrument or payment required to be filed, delivered or served upon the Gaming Commissioner or Tribe shall be deemed to be properly filed, delivered or served if it is filed, delivered or served as the case may be upon the Gaming Commissioner or the Chairman of the Eastern Shawnee Tribal Business Committee at the Tribal Complex or as the Gaming Commissioner may otherwise direct by regulation.

#### 1026. **Deputy Gaming Commissioners**

The Gaming Commissioner may authorize in the same fashion as a law enforcement officer the issuance of positions of Deputy Commissioner on a temporary, part time and/or full time basis. Any person who is employed full time as a Deputy Gaming Commissioner shall be required to meet the same qualifications as the Gaming Commissioner in accord with Section 1007.

#### 1027. Salary of Deputy Commissioners

The salary of the Deputy Gaming Commissioners, if any, shall be subject to the budgeting process of the Eastern Shawnee Tribal Business Committee and shall be established by the Business Committee.

#### 1028. Gross Revenues Tax

SEE TAX CODE.

#### 1029. Disputes with Management

Any gaming enterprise participant or supplier may file a grievance against management with the Gaming Commissioner. The Gaming Commissioner shall establish a time for hearing, give notice to all parties, hold hearing(s) and rule upon the grievance. The ruling of the Gaming Commissioner may be appealed to the Tribal Court if any shall exist or to the Code of Federal

Regulations Court of Indian Offenses for the Eastern Shawnee Tribe. This section shall in no way be construed as a waiver of the Tribes sovereign immunity.

#### A. Nature of Grievance

Any participant who has been denied benefits of gaming by manager or management, who is injured on the premises due to the fault of manager or management, or has any other claim for relief against management or any supplier who may have a claim for relief may have his grievance against management heard by filing the same with the Gaming Commissioner in writing. If no Gaming Commissioner is Interim Gaming Commissioner exists, the same shall be filed with the Tribal Administrator. The grievance shall describe the date, time and event which gives rise to the grievance and be signed by any legal counsel he may have.

## B. <u>Time for Hearing</u>

The Gaming Commissioner shall set a date for hearing the grievance within ninety (90) days of the filing of the same.

#### C. Notice of Hearing

The Gaming Commissioner shall give notice of such hearing together with a copy of the grievance to the manager and management of the gaming enterprise involved in the grievance and give notice of the hearing to the person filing the grievance by regular mail posted not less than ten (10) days in advance of the hearing.

#### D. Hearing

At hearing on any grievance, the person filing the same, manager and management shall be entitled to legal counsel. The person filing the grievance must be present for hearing of the same and shall be responsible to present prima facie case for relief before response by the manager is required. The Gaming Commissioner shall be free to question any person present, continue the hearing from time to time and conduct independent investigation of facts. Upon conclusion of hearing the Gaming Commissioner shall have forty five (45) days to render a written opinion. In the absence of a written opinion by the Gaming Commissioner within the time specified, the matter shall be deemed dismissed.

#### 1030. Alternative to Hearing Grievance

The Gaming Commissioner shall at any time prior to decision of any grievance have the authority to suspend proceedings and direct arbitration or mediation of the grievance under such terms as the Gaming Commissioner may direct.

#### 1031. Fingerprints

The Commissioner shall keep the official fingerprint cards for the National Indian Gaming Commission on file in the office of the Commissioner.

- A. As a part of any employment application, fingerprints shall be given upon the cards issued by the National Indian Gaming Commission.
- B. To obtain such prints, the Commissioner shall issue card(s) with request for assistance from Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) police officers for the local area. CFR officers shall establish a time and location to take such prints and such law enforcement shall take the prints.
  - Nothing herein shall prevent the Commissioner from making separate arrangements with law enforcement officials outside the local area for fingerprints to be taken outside the local area. Such arrangements to obtain fingerprints shall substantially comport with local procedures involving CFR officers.
- C. After fingerprints have been taken, the CFR officers shall send the cards directly to the National Indian Gaming Commission in envelopes with cover letters provided by the Commissioner of the Tribe that includes an affidavit by the officer taking such prints that the prints were taken and posted by law enforcement.
- D. Fees charged by the National Indian Gaming Commission for processing of fingerprints shall be paid by the Tribe, excepting those individuals and organizations that have posted bonds for such reports

#### 1032. Background Checks

The Commissioner shall request local CFR officers perform initial criminal background check for each application for Hall employment.

- A. The commissioner of the Tribe shall receive the actual printout or a summary of any initial background check which shall identify any felony, criminal history, or crime of moral turpitude that is known by CFR officers. The Commissioner shall be considered a Tribal law enforcement officer for such review.
- B. The Commissioner shall review any background check report issued to the Tribe. The Commissioner shall share any information revealed by such checks to the manager of Tribal gaming hall(s) which in the Commissioner's judgment affects the consideration of an individual for employment.

C. The Commissioner shall use the results of any background check to perform the lawful duties of Commissioner.

#### 1033. Service of Process

- I. The Tribe may be served notice of process for official determination, order, or notice of violation of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act by the National Indian Gaming Commission or other Federal entity by service upon the Tribal Gaming Commissioner or upon the Chief of the Tribe.
  - A. Nothing herein shall be deemed to waive or impair the Tribe's right to sovereign immunity.
  - B. Nothing herein shall be deemed a grant of jurisdiction or venue for any court to review cases or controversies which such court is not otherwise empowered to review.
- II. The Commissioner shall forward fingerprints and information to the National Indian Gaming Commission on all Tribal gaming employees and other persons for whom background checks are required.
  - A. The Commissioner shall request report from the National Indian Gaming Commission which shall include a check through the Federal Bureau of Investigation's National Criminal Information Center.
  - B. Fees charged by the National Indian Gaming Commission for processing such reports shall be paid by the Tribe excepting those individuals and organizations that have posted bonds for such reports.

#### 1034. Regulation

The Tribal Gaming Commissioner shall conduct an appropriate investigation and/or cause to be conducted on key employees and primary management officials.

- A. Such procedures shall include as a minimum:
  - 1. Obtain and process fingerprints;
  - 2. Explanation of job description, fitness of individual to perform the job, and explanation of how individual was selected for position;
  - Credit check;

- 4. Verification of resume;
- 5. Character check regarding prior activities, criminal record, reputation, habits and associations, including but not limited to personal interview summaries with a sufficient number of knowledgeable people such as former employees, personal references and others to form a basis for character suitability determination;
- 6. Document all potential problems and possible disqualification information;
- B. After completion of the background investigation, the Commissioner shall prepare an investigative report setting for the following:
  - 1. Who conducted various parts of the report, their qualifications and address;
  - 2. An outline of the background investigation process including steps taken in the investigation;
  - 3. A description of the information obtained together with conclusions of investigation;
  - 4. Statement of basis for conclusion; and
  - 5. An organization chart showing the location within the organization of the individual investigated and the positions or people over which the individual investigated may be responsible.

#### 1035. Licenses

The Tribal Gaming Commissioner shall issue Tribal licenses and sign the same for primary management officials and key employees who are involved in gaming.

- A. Such licenses shall not be required until background investigations are complete.
- B. Such licenses shall be issued when the results of background investigations are available to the Commissioner and such reports indicate that the individual is of appropriate character to participate in a Tribal gaming enterprise.
- C. The Commissioner may access a license fee.