

ENROLLMENT ORDINANCE AMENDED

On March 15, 1986, the Tribal Council approved amendments to the Enrollment Ordinance. Of particular interest is the change in Sections 8 and 9. Tribal Members who relinquish their enrollment with the Siletz Tribe will no longer be able to re-enroll in the Tribe.

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CONFEDERATED TRIBES OF SILETZ INDIANS OF OREGON

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PART I

GENERAL PROVISIONS

SECTION 1: AUTHORITY AND PURPOSE

The purpose of this ordinance is to provide for the development and maintenance of the membership roll of the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians of Oregon. Authority for this action is vested in the Tribal Council by Article 1, Section 2 of the Constitution of the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians of Oregon adopted June 2, 1979, and approved by the Secretary of the Interior June 13, 1979.

SECTION 2: MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS

The membership of the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians of Oregon shall be open to all persons who are not enrolled as members of another federally recognized Indian Tribe and:

(A) Whose names validly appear on the official tribal roll, dated May 16, 1978, provided that where proper evidence so indicates and subject to the provisions of this ordinance, the blood quantum levels listed thereon may be corrected by the Tribal Council subject to the approval of the Secretary of the Interior. Nothing in this Section shall be construed to limit the power of the Tribal Council to make corrections as to blood quantum levels on any official tribal roll after that date; or

(B) Who possess one eighth or more degree Siletz blood quantum and have filed an application for enrollment in accordance with the provisions of this ordinance.

"Siletz blood" is defined as that derived from a direct ancestor who was named on any roll or records of Siletz tribal members prepared by the Department of the Interior prior to June 13, 1979.

SECTION 3: ENROLLMENT STAFF

(A) Employment. The Siletz Tribal Council shall authorize the hiring of such staff as it deems necessary to fulfill the functions identified in this ordinance. The enrollment staff shall be hired in accordance with tribal personnel policy and shall be subject to all tribal management rules and regulations in the same manner as other tribal employees.

(B) Duties and Powers. The enrollment staff shall review and evaluate all applications for membership. It shall recommend to the Tribal Council approval or rejection of each application. It shall have the authority to require the applicant to furnish

Because there were some drastic changes to the old Ordinance, the Tribal Council requested that the entire Ordinance be published in the tribal newsletter in order that tribal members have an opportunity to read and understand the changes.

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such evidence of proof as is necessary to make appropriate recommendations to the Council. The staff shall establish the nature and types of acceptable evidence which shall include, but not be limited to, court documents, state or federal records, hospital records, medical records and Bible records.

(C) Reports and Meetings. The enrollment staff shall make a monthly report to the Tribal Council of its proceedings and activities. It shall report to work as often as is required to expeditiously process membership applications.

(D) Records. The staff shall maintain appropriate records to support its recommendations and maintain the roll as accurately as possible. The records shall be open at all times to inspection by the Tribal Council. The records shall include originals or copies of documents received to support applications. Revealing information in the enrollment records by any person to someone other than members of the Tribal Council or the enrollment staff shall be deemed grounds for expulsion or termination.

PART II

APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 4: PROCEDURES FOR MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

(A) Application Form. The enrollment committee shall develop an application form which shall be available in all tribal offices and must be used when making application for enrollment. The application form shall be entitled "Application for Enrollment" and shall contain space for the following information:

- (1) Name and address of applicant;
- (2) All names by which the applicant is or has been known;
- (3) Date of birth of the applicant;
- (4) The names of the parents of the applicant and Siletz ancestor through whom "Siletz blood is traced;
- (5) If the applicant is a minor or incompetent, the name, address and relationship of the person making the application on behalf of such minor or incompetent;
- (6) Certification by the applicant that the information is true.

(B) Who May Apply. Any person who believes he or she meets the requirements for membership in the Siletz Tribe as set forth herein may submit an application for enrollment to the enrollment staff. Applications for persons such as minor children and incompetents may be filed by a parent, next of kin, recognized guardian or other person responsible for their care. At least one supporting document other than the affidavit of the applicant shall accompany each application.