

**Resolution of the Summit Lake Paiute Council  
Summit Lake Paiute Tribe  
Of The  
Summit Lake Paiute reservation, Nevada**

Resolution Number SL-05-2018

**Title: Disbarment of individual who served on Council from Aug. 17, 1996 – 1997 from engaging in business of the Summit Lake Paiute Tribe.**

**WHEREAS,** the Summit Lake Paiute Tribe is organized pursuant to Section 16 of Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984) as amended, with the Articles of Association, and approved by the Secretary of the Interior on January 8, 1965, granting certain powers to the Summit Lake Paiute Council (see Article II, Section 1) to include determining its own rules of procedures (see Section 1(J)) and to take such actions as are necessary to carry into effect any of the foregoing powers and duties (see Section 1(k)); and

**WHEREAS,** the Summit Lake Paiute Council has the responsibility for the general welfare of its tribal membership (see Article II, Section 1(b)) including management of tribal assets (see Article II, Section 1(c)); and

**WHEREAS,** the Summit Lake Paiute Council is duly constituted governing body within the boundaries of the Summit Lake Paiute Reservation; and

**WHEREAS,** 2018 Election Committee requested a Special Meeting for Thursday, May 17, 2018, to present findings to Summit Lake Paiute Tribal Council regarding one of the candidates on the 2018 ballot. Findings regarding Candidate Christine Priscilla Harjo were found to be an ineligible candidate.

**WHEREAS,** Tribal Member, Christine Priscilla Harjo, submitted a notarized letter March 19, 2018 indicating that she was an eligible candidate for the 2018 Summit Lake Tribal Council Elections.

**WHEREAS,** after 2018 Election Committee requested and received a certified copy of the Justice Court of Reno Township, County of Washoe, No. RJC 80,015 Department No. 1; stating that Tribal Member Christine Priscilla Harjo, was arrested on a Felony charge of Embezzlement and on or about September 17, 1996 the

preliminary examination proceeded. Motion by State to Amend Criminal Complaint to charge EMBEZZLEMENT, a violation of NRS 205.300, No objection. GRANTED. And on December 19, 1996 trial proceeded. Defendant found GUILTY, December 20, 1996, Misdemeanor Judgment filed.

**WHEREAS,** it was noted that Christine Priscilla Harjo was voted in to council August 17, 1996, then served as Secretary/Treasurer from September or October 1996 to December 21, 1996 per minutes found. It is unknown when her term ended in 1997.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** the Council approved in response to the findings, which authorized the 2018 Election Committee to remove Christine Priscilla Harjo, name from the 2018 Official Ballots for not being Eligible to Hold Office for being found guilty of Misdemeanor involving Dishonesty in a State Court. Per Council Election Code, Chapter 3.02, General Council Election Procedures, Section 3.02.020 Eligibility to Hold Office: “have never been found guilty of a felony or misdemeanor involving dishonesty in any Indian, State or Federal Court (Article VI, Section 1, Articles of Association).”

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** the Council approved 2018 Absentee Ballots for general election to be VALID with the amendment of any Vote for Ineligible Candidate Christine Priscilla Harjo to be “null and Void”.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** the Council hereby disqualifies and disbars Christine Priscilla Harjo who served on Council from August 17, 1996 – 1997, from ever seeking election to the Council, influencing government officials of the Tribe, or participating in any government or business activity of or on behalf of the Tribe, for acts of gross misconduct and neglect of duty including attendance of meetings or seeking employment with the Tribe; Per being found guilty of misdemeanor while being on Council as Secretary/Treasurer. Per Council Election Code, Chapter 3.02, General Council Election Procedures, Section 3.02.020 Eligibility to Hold Office: “as a former Council Member never committed neglect of duty or gross misconduct in office (Article VI, Section 2, Articles of Association)” and per Articles of Association, Article VI-Vacancies and Removal, Section 1.” shall be found guilty of a felony or misdemeanor involving dishonesty, in any Indian, State or Federal court.” Section 2. “may expel any member of the Summit Lake Paiute Council for neglect of duty or gross misconduct in office;” and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** disbarment of individual who previously served on the Council from August 17, 1996-1997 does not waive the Tribe's sovereignty to seek damages; and,

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED** the action to disqualify and disbarred Christine Priscilla Harjo who previously served on the Council from August 17, 1996-1997 for acts of gross misconduct and neglect of duty cannot be appealed and is deemed necessary to protect tribal assets.

I, **Eugene Mace Sr, Secretary/Treasurer**, of the Summit Lake Paiute Council, hereby certify that the above Resolution: **SL-05-2018** was brought for the Summit Lake Paiute Tribal Council at a duly held meeting on the 17th day of **May, 2018**, with **3** members of the Tribal Council present, constituting a quorum, with the following votes to enact Resolution Number **SL-05-2018; 2 FOR, 0 AGAINST, and 0 ABSTAIN**; with the Tribal Chairman presiding and not voting, this Resolution has not been rescinded, revoked or amended.

05/17/2018  
Date 5/17/2018

Eugene Mace Sr  
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Summit Lake Tribal Council