MESCALERO APACHE TRIBE MESCALERO, NEW MEXICO

ORDINANCE 23-02

WHEREAS, the Mescalero Apache Tribe, an Indian tribe organized under the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934 (25 U.S.C. § 5123), and under its Revised Constitution, has full power to act for the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, the Mescalero Apache Tribal Council has the power to represent the Tribe and act in all matters that concern the welfare of the Tribe and to make decisions not inconsistent with, or contrary to, the Revised Constitution, pursuant to Article XI, Section 1(i) of the Revised Constitution; and

WHEREAS, the Mescalero Apache Tribal Council has the power to enact ordinances establishing and governing tribal courts on the Mescalero Apache Indian Reservation, pursuant to Article XI, Section 1 (p) of the Revised Constitution; and

WHEREAS, the Mescalero Apache Tribal Code at Section 2-1-18 (C) provides that the Mescalero Apache Tribal Council is responsible for creating a jury pool list each year for the Mescalero Apache Tribal Court; and

WHEREAS, the Mescalero Apache Tribal Council believes that the jury pool list should be the responsibility of the Census Clerk, not the Tribal Council, in order to preserve the separation of powers between the Tribal Council and the Tribal Courts; and

WHEREAS, accordingly, the Mescalero Apache Tribal Council believes that the below revisions are in the best interests of the Mescalero Apache Tribe.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mescalero Apache Tribal Council hereby enacts the below revisions to the Mescalero Apache Tribal Code.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that all contrary provisions are hereby repealed.

CHAPTER 2

TRIBAL COURTS

[Sections 2-1-1 to 2-1-18 (B) remain unmodified.]

- C. Procedure.
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CERTIFICATION

| The fore | egoing e | nactment | of the M | escalero | Apach | e Trib | al Counci | l is duly |
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| adopted | and app | proved on | the | 2 th da | y of J | anuary | 2023, at | a legally |
| called se | ssion of | the Mesca | lero Apa | che Trib | al Cour | icil, by | a vote of | 8 |
| in favor, | 0 | _opposed, | 0 | abstaine | d and | 0 | absent at | which a |
| quorum | was pre | sent and a | t which a | a majorit | ty of the | e meml | oers voted | in favor |
| thereof. | This er | actment i | s approv | ved by t | the Pre | sident | of the N | Iescalero |
| Apache | Tribe u | nder auth | ority of | Article | XII, S | ection | 1, of the | Revised |
| Constitu | tion. | | | | | | | |

Eddie Martinez, President

Ardena Orosco, Secretary