

**RESOLUTION OF THE
WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE OF THE
FORT APACHE INDIAN RESERVATION**

WHEREAS, Section 2.18 of the Judicial Code of the White Mountain Apache Tribe provides that the Chief Judge of the Tribal Court, in consultation with the Associate Judges, shall promulgate Rules of Court to govern the proceedings and operation of the Tribal Court, subject to approval by the Tribal Council; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Judge, pursuant to Section 2.18, has recommended the attached Rules of Practice to provide for license renewal for persons practicing before the Tribal Court; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has reviewed Rule I of the Rules of Practice and concurs that the Rules of Procedure of the White Mountain Apache Tribal Court should be amended to add the attached Rules of Practice.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that, effective immediately, it hereby approves Rule I of the White Mountain Apache Rules of Practice attached hereto and by reference made a part of this resolution.

The foregoing resolution was on November 9, 1995 duly adopted by a vote of nine for and one against by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it by Article IV, Section 1 (a), (q), (t) and (u) of the Constitution of the Tribe, 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).


Chairman of the Tribal Council


Secretary of the Tribal Council

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WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBAL CODE

Rules of Practice

RULE I: LICENSE TO PRACTICE LAW; INITIAL APPLICATION; RENEWAL; FEES.

A. No person may practice law or perform any legal services or represent anyone other than themselves in the Tribal Courts or elsewhere within the exterior boundaries of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation without first having obtained a license to practice law pursuant to Section 2.27, paragraph A or B, of the Judicial Code, or having been granted permission to represent a client in a particular case pursuant to Section 2.27, paragraph D of the Judicial Code.

B. Any person qualified to practice law pursuant to paragraph A or B of Section 2.27 of the Judicial Code may apply for an initial license to practice law by filing with the Clerk of the Tribal Court a properly completed application on a form provided by the Court, together with a nonrefundable application fee of fifty dollars and the prorata annual fee as follows: one hundred dollars if the application is filed in the months of February, March, or April; seventy-five dollars if the application is filed in the months of May, June, or July; fifty dollars if the application is filed in the months August, September, or October; and twenty-five dollars if the application is filed in the months of November, December, or January.

C. Any person whose license to practice law in the Tribal Courts is in good standing on February 1 of each year may renew his or her license for the successive year by filing with the Clerk of the Court, on or before February 1, a properly completed renewal application on a form provided by the Court, together with the annual fee of one hundred dollars. Any license not renewed shall expire on February 2. Renewal applications filed after February 1 will not be granted. Any person whose license has expired may again apply for an initial license pursuant to paragraph B of this Rule.

D. Any person qualified to do so pursuant to paragraph D of Section 2.27 of the Judicial Code may petition the Court for permission to represent a client in a particular case by filing with the Clerk of the Court a properly completed petition on a form provided by the Court, together with a fee of twenty-five dollars.

E. This rule shall become effective on the 9th day of November, 1995 until further notice by the Court.