



## *Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe Indians*

*Executive Branch of Tribal Government  
Office of the Chief Executive*

*Via E-mail*

July 11, 2025

Sheldon Boyd, Speaker of the Assembly  
Carolyn Beaulieu, District I Representative  
Wendy Merrill, District II Representative  
Harry Davis, District III Representative

Re: Nomination of Julie Dunkley-Ziegler for the Corporate Board of Directors

I am writing to formally nominate Julie Dunkley-Ziegler for the District III seat on the Corporate Board of Directors. I believe Julie's extensive experience and professional background make her an exceptional candidate for this role.

As a long-time resident of District III, Julie has strong roots within the Band and a sincere commitment to giving back. Her family has benefited directly from Band programs—accessing higher education, healthcare, and support in building a successful family-owned business. Julie is eager to give back by contributing her expertise to help the Band continue to grow and thrive economically.

With over 25 years of experience as a Financial Advisor and as a successful entrepreneur, Julie brings a comprehensive understanding of financial systems, strategic planning, and business operations—skills that directly align with the responsibilities of the Corporate Board. As the founder and principal of her Ameriprise Financial Advisory Practice, she manages more than \$292 million in assets across over 1,200 client groups. Her focus on retirement planning, insurance, asset management, and estate strategy demonstrate the high level of responsibility and oversight she brings to her work—qualities that would greatly benefit the Corporate Board of Directors.

Thank you for your consideration of Julie's nomination. I am confident Julie will serve with integrity, competence, and professionalism.

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A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Virgil Wind", with a large, stylized flourish at the end.

Virgil Wind  
Chief Executive



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CC:

Caleb Dogeagle, Solicitor General  
Julie Dunkley-Ziegler, Nominee  
Jared Miller, Legislative Counsel  
Danielle Smith, Parliamentarian/Clerk of the Assembly

**JULIE DUNKLEY ZIEGLER**



**WORK EXPERIENCE**

**AMERIPRISE FINANCIAL SERVICES**

**FINANCIAL ADVISOR – SELF EMPLOYED. 1998 – Present**

- Service 1296 Client Groups
- Assets Under Management over \$292 million
- Provide financial advice for Retirement, Education, and Life Insurance
- Comply with Regulator Offices of FINRA, Securities Exchange, and Ameriprise Financial Compliance Department
- CFO for the Advisory Group
- Marketing/Advertising Administrator
- Complete all office managers tasks
- Supervise six additional employees
- Run Payroll Services for Employees
- Human Resources Services Contact for Employees

**OUR KITCHEN**

**OWNER 1992-2013**

- Advertising and Market Manager
- Hire All Employee
- Payroll
- Human Resources
- Order Supplies
- Operations Manager

**LYLE BERMAN'S MANAGEMENT COMPANY**

**ENTERTAINMENT & ADVERTISING DEPARTMENT 1996-1998**

- Coordinated Entertainment
- Conducted Meet and Greet for all Entertainment Acts with Grand Rewards Players
- Provided payment and direction to Entertainers
- Calculated economic return on Concert venues
- Tribal Reports for Management Team
- Advertising and Market - worked with development and production of logos, signs, and entertainment billboards
- Coordinated food & beverage services with entertainment services for entertainers and casino workers
- Implemented Diamond Giveaway for Mardi Gras
- Stratosphere in Las Vegas to implement marketing strategies
- Grand Casino Biloxi Mississippi – set up entertainment and advertising department

**EDUCATION**

**UNIVERSITY OF PHOENIX, Online**

MBA with Emphasis in International Finance and Global Markets 2004

**UNIVERSITY OF Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN**

B.A. in Economics, December 1998

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