



**MILLE LACS BAND OF CHIPPEWA INDIANS**  
*Executive Branch of Tribal Government*

**Governmental Operations**  
**Executive Order 032**

**AN EXECUTIVE ORDER ESTABLISHING REGULATIONS FOR THE USE OF LETTERS OF CREDENCE BY AUTHORIZED PERSONS.**

**WHEREAS,** Executive Order 031 established Letters of Credence as the legal authority for persons speaking on behalf of the Mille Lacs Band of Chippewa Indians; and,  
**WHEREAS,** regulations governing said letters need to be promulgated, to control access and use of said letters.

**NOW THEREFORE,** Pursuant to the authority vested in me by Band Statute 1001-MLC-1, Section 5, I, Arthur Gahbow, do hereby promulgate said regulations and order implementation forthwith.

1. All Letters of Credence shall be securely kept under the control of the Clerk of Court. In the event of Absence of the Clerk, the Chief Executive shall control access.
2. All Letters of Credence shall be signed for, prior to receipt of the letter on the form specifically designated for this purpose. The form shall state the name of the appointee, the date(s) of the meeting(s), the location of the meeting(s) and the name of the person to whom the letter will be displayed.
3. Upon the appointee's return from the trip or letter's use, they shall promptly return said letter to the Clerk of Court and sign the form as acknowledgement of return. Any appointee who fails to return said letter shall no receive compensation for that pay period closest to the letter's use. Compensation shall be withheld until the Letter of Credence is returned.
4. Any appointee who has lost or misplaced their letter shall report this in writing immediately to the Chief Executive.
5. All Letters of Credence shall be original in type and authorizing signature with the embossed seal of the Band affixed.
6. Any alteration or adjustment of any type or kind shall invalidate the Letter of Credence.
7. Persons to whom Letter of Credence are displayed should verify the identity of the person who has presented the Letter.
8. No persons shall willfully and knowledgeably attempt to or alter, amend or deface any Letter of Credence or impersonate any legally appointed officer of the Band.

**DATED** at Vineland, Minnesota this 6th day of March, 1984.

Arthur Gahbow  
SIGNATURE OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE

**APPROVED & NUMBERED AS TO FORM & EXECUTION**

**EXPIRATION DATE**

Jay Kanassataga  
SIGNATURE OF SOLICITOR GENERAL

**OFFICIAL SEAL OF THE BAND**