

MILLE LACS BAND OF CHIPPEWA INDIANS

Legislative Branch of Tribal Government

RESOLUTION 09-03-47-01

A RESOLUTION CONSENTING TO THE LEGAL REPRESENTATION OF PAUL DAY, ESQ., THE CHOICE OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE, FOR THE SOLE PURPOSE OF REPRESENTING THE MILLE LACS BAND OF OJIBWE IN THE CASES ENTITLED ALTMAN V. MILLE LACS BAND OF OJIBWE AND THOMAS V. MILLE LACS BAND OF OJIBWE.

- WHEREAS, 3 MLBSA section 1 states that all legislative political authority of the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe shall be vested in the Mille Lacs Band Assembly; and
- WHEREAS, -3 MLBSA section 2(d) empowers the Band Assembly to adopt resolutions; and
- WHEREAS, 4 MLBSA section 16 states that the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe shall have both Interior and Exterior legal counsel; and
- WHEREAS, 4 MLBSA section 16(a) states that the Interior Legal Counsel of the Band shall be known as the Solicitor General; and
- WHEREAS, at this date and time, the position of Solicitor General of the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe is vacant; and
- WHEREAS, 4 MLBSA section 16(b) states that the Exterior Legal Counsel in and for the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe shall be a lawyer...of the choice of the Chief Executive upon the advice and consent of the Band Assembly. The said Exterior Legal Counsel in and for the Band shall be a person or persons who is/are licensed to practice law in any state court of the United States or in any federal court of the United States. The Exterior Legal Counsel shall be employed pursuant to the provisions of a contract approved by the Secretary of the Interior pursuant to the provisions of 25 U.S.C. section 81. The Exterior Legal Counsel may represent the interests of the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe in any matter before any court including the Court of Central Jurisdiction; and
- WHEREAS, Paul Day, esq. is a lawyer duly licensed to practice law in the State of Minnesota and the Mille Lacs Band Court of Central Jurisdiction; and
- WHEREAS, Paul Day, esq. is a lawyer of the choice of the Chief Executive to represent the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe in the cases entitled Altman v. Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe and Thomas v. Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe; and

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- WHEREAS, by majority vote of the Band Assembly, the Band Assembly may consent to the choice of the Chief Executive of Paul Day, esq. to represent the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe in the above-entitled cases; and
- WHEREAS, the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe is a Self-Governance Tribe under federal statutes and is no longer required to employ exterior legal counsel pursuant to the provisions of 25 U.S.C. section 81.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mille Lacs Band Assembly hereby consents to the legal representation of Paul Day, esq. for the sole purpose of representing the Band in the above-entitled cases.
- WE DO HEREBY CERTIFY, that the foregoing resolution was duly concurred with and adopted at a regular session of the Band Assembly in Legislative Council assembled, a quorum of legislators being present held on the 23d day of March, 2001 at Onamia, Minnesota by a vote of <u>2</u> FOR, <u>0</u> AGAINST, <u>0</u> SILENT.
- IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we, the Band Assembly hereunto cause to have set the signature of the Speaker of the Assembly to be affixed to this resolution and forwarded to the Chief Executive for Concurrence.

Herb Weyaus, Speaker of the Assembly

IN CONCURRENCE, with the action of the Band Assembly, I, hereunto set my hand to this resolution.

Melanie Benjamin, Chief Executive

OFFICIAL SEAL OF THE BAND