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ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER #20  
ADMISSION TO TRIBAL COURT  
BAR AMENDED

The attached Administrative Order #20 is approved and hereby adopted forthwith, and shall remain in effect until otherwise ordered.

IT IS SO ORDERED this 9<sup>th</sup> day of February 2015

BY THE COURT:

Hon. Robert F. Mills, Acting Chief Justice  
Mashpee Wampanoag Supreme Court



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A person who has been admitted as an attorney to the Bar of any Tribe, State, or Federal Court may apply to the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal Court for admission under the following conditions:

1. The applicant supplies a current (within 90days) "Certificate of Admission and Good Standing: from the state in which he/she has been admitted.
2. The applicant completes and submits the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal Court Application for Bar Membership and affidavit.
3. Once admitted, the Applicant pays an admission fee of \$150 annually for the period of May 1<sup>st</sup> through May 31<sup>st</sup> of each year, to maintain an active status. Failure to make payment will result in an "inactive status".
4. The applicant agrees that they will report any order of disbarment, suspension, reprimand, censure or other disqualification to practice law or any revocation, suspension, reprimand, censure or other restriction placed upon any other license held by the attorney, as instructed on the application.

5. The applicant attests to the following:
- a) The applicant has been accorded an opportunity to review all the laws of the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe and agrees to uphold those laws.
  - b) The applicant has reviewed all the administrative orders issued by the Tribal Court.
  - c) The applicant is familiar with and agrees to be subject to the Rules of Professional Conduct adopted by the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal Court.
  - d) The applicant has never been disbarred, suspended, reprimanded, censured, or disqualified as an attorney or as a holder of any public office in any other jurisdiction.
  - e) The applicant has never held a license, other than as an attorney at law, the procurement of which required proof of good character (e.g. certified public accountant, real estate broker, etc.) and that in the event that they have, that such license had never been suspended or revoked.
  - f) The applicant swears that they have never been charged with or been the subject of any investigation for a felony or misdemeanor other than a minor traffic charge as affirmed on the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal Bar Application.

If the applicant is unable to swear to any of the above matters then the applicant may request a meeting with the Chief Judge of the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal Court to explain the circumstance surrounding the matter(s) not sworn to. The Chief Judge may examine the applicant and any documents relating to the matter. If the Chief Judge is satisfied that the applicant is of good character and qualified to practice before the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal Court, then the Chief Judge may sign an order admitting the applicant. The decision of the Chief Judge is final.