

COQUILLE INDIAN TRIBAL COURT

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ORDER ADOPTING INTERIM
STANDARDS TO LICENSE AND
REGULATE SPOKESPERSONS

The Court finding that “spokesperson” shall mean any person not admitted to a Bar of any State who is a Tribal member or a relative of a party and speaks for a party to a case in the Tribal Court, CITC 610.010(3)(d); that any party has a right to assistance of a spokesperson at the party’s expense, CITC 610.700(1)(b); that the Chief Judge has the responsibility pursuant to Coquille Indian Tribal Code 610.700(1)(b) to license and regulate spokespersons to appear for a party in the Coquille Indian Tribal Court; that speaking for a party to a case in the Tribal Court requires a thorough understanding of applicable law, procedures and ethical considerations; that parties need access to qualified spokespersons who have completed rigorous training and education which meets standards to be established by the Chief Judge; and

The Court recognizing that it is appropriate to establish interim standards to license and regulate spokespersons, to be applied until such time as permanent standards may be adopted,

NOW, THEREFORE, the Court hereby adopts the following interim standards to license and regulate spokespersons:

1. The Chief Judge of the Coquille Indian Tribal Court may license and regulate as spokesperson to speak for a party to a case in the Coquille Indian Tribal Court, a person who:
 - A. Has attained the age of 18 years;

- B. Is of good moral character and fit to practice law in the courts of this Tribe;
- C. Is either an enrolled member of the Coquille Indian Tribe or is a relative of a party to a case in the Coquille Indian Tribal Court; and
- D. Has submitted, at least one week prior to an appearance, a completed application for approval to appear as spokesperson, in form prescribed by the Court.

DATED this 6th day of April, 2000.

/s/ Don Owen Costello
Coquille Indian Tribal Court
Don Owen Costello
Chief Judge