

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL  
(Approving the FY 2024 Attorney Contract between the Tohono O'odham Nation  
and Yoder & Langford, P.C. regarding 401(k) Retirement Plan Matters)**

**RESOLUTION NO. 24-056**

1 **WHEREAS,** the Constitution of the Tohono O'odham Nation vests the Legislative Council with  
2 the power to "consult, negotiate and conclude agreements and contracts on behalf  
3 of the Tohono O'odham Nation with ... private persons or organizations on all  
4 matters within the authority of the Tohono O'odham Council" (Constitution of the  
5 Tohono O'odham Nation, Article VI, Section 1(f)); and

6 **WHEREAS,** the Constitution of the Tohono O'odham Nation vests the Legislative Council with  
7 the power "to employ legal counsel for the protection and advancement of the  
8 rights of the Tohono O'odham Nation... "(Constitution of the Tohono O'odham  
9 Nation, Article VI, Section 2(a)); and

10 **WHEREAS,** the Tohono O'odham Nation has for several years contracted with the law firm of  
11 Yoder & Langford, P.C., for legal services related to the Nation's 401(k) Retirement  
12 Plan, under the direction of the Nation's Attorney General, to assist the 401(k)  
13 Plan Trustees and the Nation's Human Resources Department; and

14 **WHEREAS,** the Human Resources Department has prepared and submitted for review and  
15 approval the FY 2024 Attorney Contract between the Tohono O'odham Nation and  
16 Yoder & Langford, P.C. for legal services related to the Nation's 401(k) Retirement  
17 Plan for the period beginning October 1, 2023, through September 30, 2024, in  
18 substantially the form attached; and

19 **WHEREAS,** the Human Resources Development and Domestic Affairs Committees have  
20 reviewed the Attorney Contract and recommend its approval.

21 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council approves  
22 the FY 2024 Attorney Contract between the Tohono O'odham Nation and Yoder &  
23 Langford, P.C., for the period beginning October 1, 2023, through September 30,  
24 2024, in the amount of \$10,000.00, which shall be funded by the FY 2024 Human  
25 Resources Department Budget.

26 **BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED** by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council that the chairperson  
27 of the Nation is authorized to execute the Attorney Contract in substantially the  
28 form attached.

29 The foregoing Resolution was passed by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council on the 13<sup>TH</sup>  
30 day of FEBRUARY 2024 at a meeting at which a quorum was present with a vote of 2,106.2  
31 FOR; 1,157.1 AGAINST; [01] NOT VOTING; and [03] ABSENT, pursuant to the powers vested  
32 in the Council by Article VI, Section 1(f) and 2(a) of the Constitution of the Tohono O'odham  
33 Nation, adopted by the Tohono O'odham Nation on January 18, 1986; and approved by the Acting  
34 Deputy Assistant Secretary - Indian Affairs (Operations) on March 6, 1986, pursuant to Section  
35 16 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat.984).

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**TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**

Wavalene M. Saunders  
**Wavalene M. Saunders, Legislative Chairwoman**

16 day of February, 2024

**ATTEST:**

Evonne Wilson  
**Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary**

16 day of February, 2024

Said Resolution was submitted for approval to the office of the Chairman of the Tohono O'odham Nation on the 16 day of February, 2024 at 3:00 o'clock, P.m., pursuant to the provisions of Section 5 of Article VII of the Constitution and will become effective upon his approval or upon his failure to either approve or disapprove it within 48 hours of submittal.

**TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**

Wavalene M. Saunders  
**Wavalene M. Saunders, Legislative Chairwoman**

**APPROVED**

on the 20 day of February, 2024

**DISAPPROVED**

at 6:25 o'clock, P.m.

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**VERLON M. JOSE, CHAIRMAN**  
**TOHONO O'ODHAM NATION**

Returned to the Legislative Secretary on the 21 day of

February, 2024, at 12:14 o'clock, P.m.

Evonne Wilson  
**Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary**

**ACTION: APPROVING THE FY 2024 ATTORNEY CONTRACT BETWEEN THE TOHONO O'ODHAM NATION AND YODER & LANGFORD, P.C. REGARDING 401(K) RETIREMENT PLAN MATTERS**

**MOVED: COUNCILMAN LEANDER MASE**

**SECOND: COUNCILWOMAN JANICE FELIX**

**DATE: FEBRUARY 13, 2024**

DISTRICT	LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATIVES	# OF VOTES	FOR	AGAINST	NOT VOTING	ABSENT
BABOQUIVARI 394.2	1. LEANDER MASE (Francine Schooling)	197.1	X			
	2. JESSE NAVARRO (Alberta J. Ray)	197.1	X			
CHUKUT KUK 354.7	1. VIVIAN JUAN-SAUNDERS (Cornelius Antone)	177.35	X			
	2. MARLAKAY HENRY ( )	177.35	X			
GU ACHI 282.7	1. VICTORIA HOBBS (Tonya L. Joaquin)	141.35		X		
	2. TIMOTHY L. JOAQUIN (Jerome L. Joaquin)	141.35		X		X
GU VO 276.0	1. DALLAS LEWIS ( )	138.0	X			
	2. LESLIE LUNA (Grace Manuel)	138.0	X			
HICKIWAN 220.5	1. DELMA M. GARCIA ( )	110.25		X		X
	2. LOUIS R. LOPEZ (Loretta A. Ortega)	110.25		X		
PISINEMO 236.2	1. EDWARD D. MANUEL <i>(Absent)</i> (Monica Morgan) <i>(Present)</i>	118.1	X			X
	2. PAMELA J. BENAVIDEZ (Nora J. Ruelas)	118.1	X			
SAN LUCY 257.6	1. ROGER MANUEL (Christina Andrews)	128.8	X			
	2. GLORIA M. RAMIREZ (Lorraine M. Eiler)	128.8	X			
SAN XAVIER 244.5	1. JANICE FELIX ( )	122.25	X			
	2. DANIEL L.A. PRESTON III ( )	122.25	X			
SCHUK TOAK 191.8	1. DELISA M. RAMON (Sharon A. Francisco)	95.9	X			
	2. THEORIA CAMPILLO (Rebecca Ann Valentine)	95.9		X		
SELLS 558.0	1. EVELYN JUAN-MANUEL (Arvada Liston)	279.0		X		
	2. JANET B. ELEANDO ( )	279.0		X		
SIF OIDAK 247.1	1. LUCINDA ALLEN (Francis Homewytewa)	123.55	X			
	2. WAVALENE M. SAUNDERS (Mary Lopez)	123.55	X		X	
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>3,263.30</b>	<b>2,106.2</b>	<b>1,157.1</b>	<b>[01]</b>	<b>[03]</b>