

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
(Approving FY 2025 Professional Services Contract between the Tohono O'odham
Nation and Robert Curigliano, Esq.)**

RESOLUTION NO. 25-008

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

5 **WHEREAS,** the increasing needs of Tribal Members ("Members") for legal representation has
6 caused a need for contracted attorneys to represent Members in cases where the
7 Tohono O'odham Advocate Program is ethically conflicted out of the
8 representation; and

9 **WHEREAS,** the Tohono O'odham Advocate Program has prepared and submitted for review
10 and approval FY 2025 Professional Services Contract between the Tohono
11 O'odham Nation ("Nation") and Robert Curigliano, Esq., which is incorporated
12 herein by this reference, to represent Tribal Members in certain Civil Conflict
13 Cases who cannot be represented by the Nation's Advocate Program due to a
14 conflict of interest; and

15 **WHEREAS,** fees for services provided under this Contract will be paid out of the FY 2025
16 Advocate Program Budget in accordance with the terms of the FY 2025
17 Professional Services Contract with Robert Curigliano, Esq., which shall extend
18 from October 1, 2024 to September 30, 2025; and

19 **WHEREAS,** the Domestic Affairs Committee has reviewed the contract and recommends
20 approval by the Legislative Council.

21 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council approves the
22 FY 2025 Professional Services Contract between the Tohono O'odham Nation and
23 Robert Curigliano, Esq., in substantially the form attached.

24 **BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED** that the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council authorizes and directs
25 the Nation's chairperson to execute the Professional Services Contract, provided
26 that any amendments to the Professional Services Contract shall be submitted for
27 prior approval by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council.

28 The foregoing Resolution was passed by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council on the 14TH
29 day of JANUARY 2025 at a meeting at which a quorum was present with a vote of 3,263.3 FOR;
30 -0- AGAINST; -0- NOT VOTING; and [03] ABSENT, pursuant to the powers vested in the Council by
31 Article VI, Section 2(a) of the Constitution of the Tohono O'odham Nation, adopted by the
32 Tohono O'odham Nation on January 18, 1986; and approved by the Acting Deputy Assistant
33 Secretary - Indian Affairs (Operations) on March 6, 1986, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June
34 18, 1934 (48 Stat.984).

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Wavalene M. Saunders
Wavalene M. Saunders, Legislative Chairwoman
21st day of *January*, 2025

ATTEST:

Evonne Wilson
Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary

21 day of *January*, 2025

Said Resolution was submitted for approval to the office of the Chairman of the Tohono O'odham Nation on the *21st* day of *January*, 2025 at *4:52* 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 *21* day of *January*, 2025

DISAPPROVED

at *8:42* o'clock, *p*.m.

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VERLON M. JOSE, CHAIRMAN
TOHONO O'ODHAM NATION

Returned to the Legislative Secretary on the *22* day of

January, 2025, at *8:45* o'clock, *a*.m.

Evonne Wilson
Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary

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ACTION: APPROVING FY 2025 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT BETWEEN THE TOHONO O'ODHAM NATION AND ROBERT CURIGLIANO, ESQ.

MOVED: COUNCILMAN JEROME F. JOAQUIN

SECOND: COUNCILWOMAN VIVIAN JUAN-SAUNDERS

DATE: JANUARY 14, 2025

DISTRICT	LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATIVES	# OF VOTES	FOR	AGAINST	NOT VOTING	ABSENT
BABOQUIVARI 394.2	1. LEANDER MASE (<i>Absent</i>) (Francine Schooling) (<i>Present</i>) 2. JESSE NAVARRO (Alberta J. Ray)	197.1 197.1	X X			
CHUKUT KUK 354.7	1. VIVIAN JUAN-SAUNDERS (Cornelius Antone) 2. MARLAKAY HENRY ()	177.35 177.35	X X			X
GUACHI 282.7	1. VICTORIA HOBBS (Tonya L. Joaquin) 2. JEROME F. JOAQUIN ()	141.35 141.35	X X			
GU VO 276.0	1. DALLAS LEWIS () 2. LESLIE LUNA ()	138.0 138.0	X X			
HICKIWAN 220.5	1. DELMA M. GARCIA () 2. LOUIS R. LOPEZ (Loretta A. Ortega)	110.25 110.25	X X			
PISINEMO 236.2	1. EDWARD D. MANUEL () 2. PAMELA J. BENAVIDEZ (Nora J. Ruelas)	118.1 118.1	X X			
SAN LUCY 257.6	1. ROGER MANUEL (Christina Andrews) 2. GLORIA M. RAMIREZ (Lorraine M. Eiler)	128.8 128.8	X X			X
SAN XAVIER 244.5	1. JANICE FELIX () 2. DANIEL L.A. PRESTON III ()	122.25 122.25	X X			
SCHUK TOAK 191.8	1. DELISA M. RAMON (Sharon A. Francisco) 2. THEORIA CAMPILLO (Rebecca Ann Valentine)	95.9 95.9	X X			
SELLS 558.0	1. EVELYN JUAN MANUEL (Arvada Liston) 2. JANET B. ELEANDO ()	279.0 279.0	X X			
SIF OIDAK 247.1	1. FRANCIS HOMEWYTEWA () 2. WAVALENE M. SAUNDERS (Mary Lopez)	123.55 123.55	X X			X
	TOTAL	3,263.30	3,263.3	-0-	-0-	[03]