

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
(Appointing Rachel Frazier Johnson as a Judge Pro Tempore of the Tohono
O'odham Judicial Court)**

RESOLUTION NO. 25-405

1 **WHEREAS, the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council is vested with the authority to appoint**
2 **judges to the Tohono O'odham Judicial Court (Constitution, Article VIII, Section**
3 **3); and**

4 **WHEREAS, the Legislative Council "may upon the recommendation of the chief judge**
5 **appoint pro tempore judges to the Judicial Court" (6 T.O.C. Chapter 1, Article 2,**
6 **Section 1201); and**

7 **WHEREAS, "[n]otwithstanding the provisions of Section 1103(C) of this Chapter, a judge pro**
8 **tempore shall be of good moral character, a resident of Arizona for not less than**
9 **five years, and admitted to the practice of law in any State for not less than three**
10 **years preceding the appointment, except that pro tempore judges shall not hold**
11 **an elected office with any government or hold an appointed position with the**
12 **Tohono O'odham Nation or be employed by the Nation or any of its entities" (6**
13 **T.O.C. Chapter 1, Article 2, Section 1203); and**

14 **WHEREAS, the term of a judge pro tempore "shall be set forth in the resolution of the**
15 **Legislative Council appointing the judge, but in no case shall the term be longer**
16 **than six years" (6 T.O.C. Chapter 1, Article 2, Section 1204); and**

17 **WHEREAS, the chief judge has submitted Rachel Frazier Johnson's resume, letter of interest,**
18 **and a letter of recommendation for her appointment as a judge pro tempore to**
19 **the Tohono O'odham Judicial Court; and**

20 **WHEREAS, the Judiciary Committee, having legislative oversight of matters pertaining to the**
21 **Tohono O'odham Judicial Court, has reviewed Rachel Frazier Johnson's resume,**
22 **letter of interest, and the chief judge's letter of recommendation, and has no**
23 **recommendation.**


24 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council that it appoints**
25 **Rachel Frazier Johnson to the Tohono O'odham Judicial Court as a judge pro**
26 **tempore for a six-year term commencing on the effective date of this resolution.**

27 **The foregoing Resolution was passed by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council on the 07TH**
28 **day of NOVEMBER 2025 at a meeting at which a quorum was present with a vote of 3,054.8 FOR;**
29 **-0- AGAINST; 266.3 [04] NOT VOTING; and [02] ABSENT, pursuant to the powers vested in the**
30 **Council by Article VIII, Section 3 of the Constitution of the Tohono O'odham Nation, adopted by**
31 **the Tohono O'odham Nation on January 18, 1986; and approved by the Acting Deputy Assistant**
32 **Secretary - Indian Affairs (Operations) on March 6, 1986, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June**
33 **18, 1934 (48 Stat.984).**
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Wavalene M. Saunders, Legislative Chairwoman

10 day of November, 2025

ATTEST:


Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary

10 day of November, 2025

Said Resolution was submitted for approval to the office of the Chairman of the Tohono O'odham Nation on the 10 day of November, 2025 at 2:40 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, Legislative Chairwoman

☒ APPROVED

☐ DISAPPROVED

on the 12TH day of November, 2025

at 3:10 o'clock, P.m.


VERLON M. JOSE, CHAIRMAN
TOHONO O'ODHAM NATION

Returned to the Legislative Secretary on the 12 day of

November, 2025, at 4:17 o'clock, P.m.


Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary

ACTION: APPOINTING RACHEL FRAZIER JOHNSON AS A JUDGE PRO TEMPORE OF THE TOHONO O'ODHAM JUDICIAL COURT

Moved: COUNCILMAN BENNETT CHEWING

SECOND: COUNCILWOMAN DELMA M. GARCIA

DATE: NOVEMBER 07, 2025

DISTRICT	LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATIVES	# OF VOTES	FOR	AGAINST	NOT VOTING	ABSENT
SIF Oidak 251.2	1. WAVALENE M. SAUNDERS (Mary Lopez) 2. FRANCIS HOMEWYTEWA ()	125.6 125.6	X X			
SELLS 565.7	1. JANET B. ELEANDO () 2. EVELYN JUAN MANUEL (Juan Buendia)	282.85 282.85	X X			
SCHUK TOAK 195.3	1. THEORIA CAMPILLO (Rebecca Ann Valentine) 2. DELISA M. RAMON (Quintin C. Lopez)	97.65 97.65	X X			
SAN XAVIER 249.8	1. DANIEL L.A. PRESTON III () 2. JANICE FELIX ()	124.9 124.9	X X			
SAN LUCY 266.3	1. GLORIA M. RAMIREZ (Lorraine M. Eiler) 2. ROGER MANUEL (Christina Andrews)	133.15 133.15			X X	
PISINEMO 240.3	1. PAMELA J. BENAVIDEZ (Nora J. Ruelas) 2. NAOMI MONTE (Absent) (Edward D. Manuel) (Present)	120.15 120.15	X X		X	
HICKIWAN 222.9	1. LOUIS R. LOPEZ (Loretta A. Ortega) 2. DELMA M. GARCIA ()	111.45 111.45	X X		X	
GU VO 279.6	1. LESLIE LUNA () 2. BENNETT CHEWING ()	139.8 139.8	X X			X
GU ACHI 289.2	1. JEROME F. JOAQUIN (Gloria Johnson) 2. LUCIUS E. LOPEZ (Absent) (Victoria A. Hobbs) (Present)	144.6 144.6	X X			
CHUKUT KUK 361.9	1. MARLAKAY HENRY () 2. VIVIAN JUAN-SAUNDERS (Cornelius Antone)	180.95 180.95	X X			
BABOQUIVARI 398.9	1. JESSE NAVARRO (Absent) (Alberta J. Ray) (Present) 2. NED NORRIS, JR (Leander Mase)	199.45 199.45	X X			X
TOTAL		3,321.1	3,054.8	-0-	266.3 [04]	[02]