

Cherokee Nation Code Annotated

Title 20: Courts

Chapter 2: District Court-Jurisdiction and Procedure

§ 12. Composition

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A. The District Court of Cherokee Nation shall be composed of one (1) or more District Judges and Associate District Judges to be appointed by the Principal Chief and confirmed by the Council as needed for the orderly administration of justice.

B. The Presiding District Court Judge of the Cherokee Nation may designate special judges, as needed, to hear and decide matters as assigned by the Presiding District Court Judge.

C. Any citizen of Cherokee Nation who is a member in good standing of a state bar association who has never been convicted of a felony shall be eligible for appointment as District Judge or designation as a Special Judge.

Historical Data

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