

Cherokee Nation Code Annotated

Title 56: Port Authorities

Chapter 1: General Provisions

§ 5. Board of Directors

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A. A Board of Directors shall govern a port authority created by this act. Members of a Board of Directors of a port authority hereby created shall consist of not more than five (5) members. The Principal Chief with the approval of the Council shall appoint Board members. The Port Authority created under this act may, with the approval of the Principal Chief and Council, form a partnership with a port authority created by Act of the State of Oklahoma. When a port authority is created by this combination, the number of Directors composing the Board shall be determined by agreement between Cherokee Nation and the political subdivision(s) of the State of Oklahoma. The appointing body may anytime remove a Director appointed by it for misfeasance, nonfeasance or malfeasance in office.

B. Each Director shall have been a qualified elector in Cherokee Nation, and, for joint authorities, of the political subdivision in which they reside, for a period of at least three (3) years next preceding his appointment.

C. The Directors of any port authority first appointed shall serve staggered terms. After that each successor shall serve for a term of four (4) years, except that any person appointed to fill a vacancy shall be appointed to only the unexpired term and any Director shall be eligible for reappointment. No Director shall be removed except for cause, and if removed shall have the right of appeal to the District Court of Cherokee Nation.

D. The Directors shall elect one of their membership as Chairman and another as Vice-Chairman, and shall designate their terms of office, and shall appoint a Secretary who need not be a Director. A majority of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum, the affirmative vote of which shall be necessary for any action taken by the port authority. No vacancy in the membership of the Board shall impair the rights of a quorum to exercise all the rights and perform all the duties of the port authority.

E. Each member of the Board of Directors of the port authority shall be entitled to receive such sum of money as the Board of Directors may determine as compensation for his service as Director and reimbursement for his reasonable expenses in the performance of his duties.

Historical Data

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