**TITLE:** Tribal Court Justice

**Duties Description:** Serve as member of a 2 to 3-judge panel to review, deliberate, guide, and issue decisions regarding cases brought before the ONC Tribal Court regarding tribal adoptions and at-risk children and families as defined by the ONC Tribal Justice Codes and the Children's Codes.

**Supervision:** Provided by the ONC Tribal Court Administrator who will give direction regarding case assignment and background, scheduling, training, and at least annual performance feedback as a "Tribal Court Justice".

**Goals of Tribal Court:** The children within the jurisdiction of the Orutsararmiut Native Tribe (the "Tribe") are the Tribe's most valuable resource, and their welfare is of paramount importance to the Tribe. The children within the jurisdiction of the Tribe must receive the care and guidance necessary to enable them to become productive members of their Tribe, and society in general. In this light, the primary goal of the ONC Tribal Court under the guidance of the ONC Tribal Court codes is:

1. The Tribe will take an active role in providing for the welfare of the children within its

jurisdiction;

 2. Will preserve and strengthen family ties including improvement of home and environment;

3. Will protect and preserve tribal heritage and cultural identity of the children within the Tribe's

jurisdiction, and

4. Will ensure that other courts and agencies will fully cooperate with the Tribe in fulfilling the

purpose of the tribes authorized Codes*.*

**Responsibilities/Duties:**

1. Continue reading and familiarity with ONC Tribal Codes and legal references, protocols, and

best practices as required during court proceedings.

2. Working knowledge of the process and procedure of holding Court: acknowledge persons

present for recorded information; treat courtroom individuals with respect and consideration; and remain fair and impartial in all cases presented assuring that individual civil and tribal

rights are always respected

3. Be familiar with Yup'ik culture and traditions

4. Provide assistance to court staff, be available for ongoing training and updates of court

processes/procedures, and receive and utilize Elder guidance and advice

5. Do required individual case and legal preparation, research, information gathering, and follow up work

6. Be available to make presentations to ONC tribal members and public as necessary

**Qualifications:**

1. At least twenty-five (25) years old;

2. Of Yup'ik descent;

3. Reside in the Native Village of Bethel for three years;

4. Eligible for appointment in compliance with Public Law 101-630;

5. Have completed or is willing to complete a minimum of forty (40) hours of official training in trial and appellate court process, tribal law, and federal Indian law;

 6. Have completed or is willing to complete a minimum of forty (40) hours of prior judicial or court-related experience.

*7.* Able to pass a criminal background and reference check

**Time Commitment:**

1. Devote five (5) hours per week on self-managed training

2. Serve up to ten (10) hours per month as a Tribal Court Justice including preparation and hearing a minimum of two (2) cases per month

**Training:**

1. Able to complete training in process /procedures of hearings, trial and appellate court, tribal law, and federal Indian law.

2. Able to attend and complete ongoing local and out of town tribal justice training as needed.

**Benefits:**

1. Make a real difference to our tribe's "children at risk".

2. Provide guidance and new direction and hope to parents and families.

**Tribal Courts Application Form**

 Date of Application:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Place of Employment:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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How did you hear about/ become interested in ONC Tribal Court?\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Do you have experience with alcoholism and/ or chemical dependency? Yes\_\_ No\_\_

If yes, please explain.\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Do you have experience working with Native youth? Yes\_\_ No\_\_

If yes, please explain.\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

What do you hope to achieve by serving as a Tribal Judge?\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever been convicted of a misdemeanor or a felony? Yes\_\_ No\_\_

 If so, when and what charge?\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Have you ever come in contact with or had any experience with any law enforcement agency or the court system? Yes\_\_ No\_\_

If so, please explain:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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In what other capacity would you like to volunteer?

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Are you able to commit to participating at least 5-15 hours per week?

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What is the extent of your knowledge of the Tribal Court system?

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**\*\*PLEASE SUBMIT RESUME OF EXPERIENCE AND/ OR TRAINING IN TRIBAL JUSTICE\*\***

**References**

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Emergency Contact:

Name:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Phone:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**I hereby certify the facts set forth in the above application are true and complete to the best of my knowledge. My signature authorizes the Tribal Courts staff to contact my references and conduct a background and/ or criminal records check.**

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