## Stockbridge-Munsee Community

## BAND OF THE MOHICAN INDIANS TRIBAL COUNCIL OFFICES

## A RESOLUTION TO GOVERN PROCEDURE AND CONDUCT OF THE TRIBAL COUNCIL AND ITS INDIVIDUAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

Date: May 1st, 2007

Resolution No. \_028-07

- WHEREAS, The Stockbridge-Munsee Community is a federally-recognized Indian Tribe with a Constitution and By-Laws approved November 18, 1937; and
- WHEREAS, The Stockbridge-Munsee Community, pursuant to the terms of its Constitution, is governed by seven Tribal Council members, democratically elected pursuant to the Constitution and tribal law; and
- WHEREAS, The Tribal Council recognizes that the Council as a body, and each Tribal Council Member individually, has a duty and responsibility to comply with and uphold tribal law and all other applicable law; and
- WHEREAS, The Constitution, under Article VII, Section (h) expressly mandates that the Tribal Council of the Stockbridge-Munsee Community shall "adopt resolutions not inconsistent with this Constitution and By-Laws, regulating the procedure of the Tribal Council..."; and
- WHEREAS, The Tribal Council is elected by the tribal members who trust the Council to protect tribal assets and act in the best interest of the Tribal Members and the Tribe; and
- WHEREAS, The Tribal Council, as guardians of the public trust, have an obligation to regulate themselves and hold each other to the highest standards of conduct and to the highest levels of accountability, to each other and to the membership;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council as a whole, and each member individually, in carrying out the duties of their office and in representing the Tribe in any regard shall:

## PART A

- 1. Act with integrity and honesty;
- 2. Abide by and respect the laws and policies of the Stockbridge-Munsee Community and all other laws applicable to this Community or face the penalties set forth in those policies and laws;
- 3. Make decisions that are consistent with tribal law and tribal values not decisions based on self-interest or self gain;
- 4. Avoid conflicts of interest and even the perception of a conflict of interest and disclose

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