

RESOLUTION OF THE
NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE
23rd NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL -- Fourth Year, 2018

AN ACTION

RELATING TO THE NAABIK'ÍYÁTI COMMITTEE; CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF WESLEY BENALLY TO THE NAVAJO NATION GAMING ENTERPRISE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR A FOUR YEAR TERM

BE IT ENACTED:

SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY

- A. The Navajo Nation Gaming Enterprise (Enterprise) Board of Directors (Board) are subject to confirmation by the Naabik'íyáti Committee. 5 N.N.C. § 1707(C). See also CO-72-18.
- B. The Navajo Nation Council has legislative oversight over the Enterprise. 5 N.N.C. § 1718.

SECTION TWO. FINDINGS

- A. Pursuant to 5 N.N.C. § 1707(C), the President of the Navajo Nation shall select Board members; President Russell Begaye selected Wesley Benally to the Navajo Nation Gaming Enterprise Board of Directors. Mr. Benally's appointment letter is attached as **Exhibit A**.
- B. The Board shall consist of nine members and at least five members shall be enrolled members of the Navajo Nation. 5 N.N.C. §§ 1707(B) and 1707(D). See also CO-72-18. Mr. Benally's Certificate of Navajo Indian Blood is attached as **Exhibit B**.
- C. At all times the nominees and the Directors shall possess the following qualifications: (1) shall have demonstrable knowledge of Class II and Class III gaming operations and work experience in the gaming industry; (2) shall be at least 25 years of age; (3) shall possess a bachelors and/or graduate degree, preferably in finance, accounting, marketing, economics, management, law or related fields; (4) shall have a minimum of seven (7) years mid-level management experience; preferred experience will take into account 12 years of mid-level or executive experience; (5) shall not be a board member of a Navajo Nation-owned corporation, enterprise or authority; and (6) shall not be a public official or public

employee of the Navajo Nation. 5 N.N.C. § 1707(G). See also CO-72-18. Mr. Benally's résumé letters of interest are attached as **Exhibits C and D**.

- D. Each appointee for the position of the Board of the Enterprise shall obtain a Gaming Facility Operator's License from the Gaming Regulatory Office before submission of the appointment to the Naabik'íyáti Committee for confirmation. Mr. Benally has been issued a Navajo Gaming Regulatory Office ("NGRO") temporary tribal license and Arizona Department of Gaming ("ADG") temporary recommendation, which are required per 5 N.N.C. § 1707(H). The NGRO temporary tribal license is attached as **Exhibit E** and the ADG temporary recommendation is attached as **Exhibit F**.
- E. A Board member selected to fill a vacancy shall serve the remaining term of his or her predecessor. Mr. Benally's appointment term is for a four-year staggered term beginning September 28, 2015 and ending September 28, 2019 per Exhibit A. He shall hold office until the qualification and selection of his successor. 5 N.N.C. §§ 1707(I) and 1707(F).

SECTION THREE. CONFIRMING APPOINTMENT

Pursuant to 5 N.N.C. § 1707(C), the Navajo Nation hereby confirms the appointment of Wesley Benally to serve on the Navajo Nation Gaming Enterprise Board of Directors, for a four-year staggered term beginning September 28, 2015 and ending September 28, 2019.

CERTIFICATION

I, hereby, certify that the foregoing resolution was duly considered by the Naabik'íyáti' Committee of the 23rd Navajo Nation Council at a duly called meeting in Window Rock, Navajo Nation (Arizona), at which a quorum was present and that the same was passed by a vote of 12 in Favor, and 01 Opposed, on this 29th day of November 2018.



LoRenzo C. Bates, Chairman
Naabik'íyáti' Committee

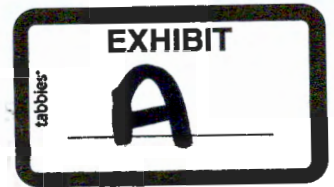
Motioned: Honorable Nelson S. BeGaye
Second : Honorable Davis Filfred

Chairman LoRenzo C. Bates not voting



THE NAVAJO NATION

RUSSELL BEGAYE
JONATHAN NEZ



September 13, 2018

Wesley Benally

**RE: Official Appointment to the Navajo Nation Gaming Enterprise ("NNGE")
Board**

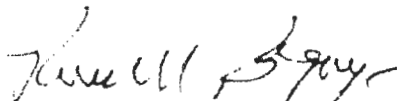
Mr. Benally,

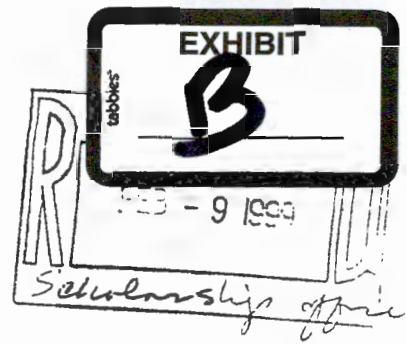
It is my distinct pleasure to appoint you to the Navajo Nation Gaming Enterprise Board. **You are hereby appointed to represent the Certified Public Accountant ("CPA") position for a term of four years set to begin on September 28, 2015 to September 28, 2019, pursuant to 5 N.N.C. 1707(F).** Your appointment to the Board is subject to confirmation by the Navajo Nation Council.

Thank you for your desire to serve the NNGE as the CPA position for the Board. If you have any questions relating to your appointment, please contact Office of the President and Vice President at (928) 871-7004.

Respectfully,

THE NAVAJO NATION


Russell Begaye, President



THE NAVAJO NATION

KELSEY A. BEGAYE
President

TAYLOR MCKENZIE, M.D.
VICE PRESIDENT

UNACCEPTABLE IF ALTERED

CERTIFICATE OF NAVAJO INDIAN BLOOD

PART A (To be used if applicant is enrolled)

CROWNPOINT
AGENCY

January 20, 1999
DATE

I certify that Wesley Ryan Benally is listed on the Navajo Indian Census Roll,
Dated January 01, 1940, which is an official record of this office as being of _____ degree
Navajo Indian blood, with Roll Number _____, date of birth _____

RECORDED: September 16, 1980.


Margie Hatah
Vital Statistics Manager
VST/gr

THE INFORMATION CONTAINED ON THIS DOCUMENT
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VITAL RECORDS & TRIBAL ENROLLMENT PROGRAM
THE NAVAJO NATION ♦ P.O. BOX 9000 ♦ WINDOW ROCK, ARIZONA 86515



Wesley Ryan Benally, CPA

Professional Experience

Audit Manager-REDW, LLC, Phoenix, Az- January 2014 - Present

- Maintain and build relationships with current clientele to ensure that superior audit services are provided and continued value for the firm through intelligent and strategic financial advice.
- Strategically develops the audit plan for the engagement team to execute which includes financial statement risk assessment, personnel resource allocation, and time budget allocation to ensure profitability on the project.
- Work in conjunction with audit Principal to understand client needs and risks while adapting to changing circumstances within the client's industry and developing a plan to meet expectations to produce satisfaction and loyalty.
- Consult with Principals to determine adequate project schedules that work synchronous to the firm and the client.
- Meet project deadlines and assumes responsibility for completing engagements through rigorous coordination and negotiation with the client to ensure efficiency and profitability on projects. Provides advance planning and real time guidance, supervision, support and on the job training to engagement team.
- Aides senior team members in their effectiveness and development into manager candidates through performance feedback and coaching.
- Provides assistance, coaching and supervision to engagement team on producing timely, quality client deliverable drafts as efficiently as possible. When possible, performs documentation reviews in the field and uses the process to coach team members and provide superior client service.
- Provides continuous constructive performance feedback to senior and staff through real time interaction and problem solving with the engagement team.
- Provides timely written and verbal performance evaluations to senior prior to the completion of fieldwork.

Memberships

- Board Member of the Arizona State Board of Accountancy Peer review committee
- Arizona Society of Certified Public Accountants
- American Institute of Certified Public Accountants
- Advisory council for the Morning Star Leadership Foundation, Scottsdale, Az
- Arizona American Indian Chamber of Commerce

Education -

Bachelors of Science- Arizona State University, Tempe, Az - 2006



Wesley R. Benally

To the Navajo Nation Gaming Enterprise

This letter will serve as my interest to serve on the board of the Navajo Nation Gaming Enterprise ("NNGE"). My experience includes more than 12+ yrs serving as the engagement leader of various Casino engagements for Tribes across the country. As a certified public accountant, I understand the audit process for Casino engagements, the relationships between the States and the Tribal Casino operations, and the nuances of financial transactions that surround Casino accounting and financial reporting. My experience also includes a good knowledge base of the requirements of the National Indian Gaming Association and the internal controls that surround daily operations. Finally, my experience affords itself to the banking relationship between the Nation and the NNGE, more importantly, the history of the relationship. My understanding of accounting and financial statements analysis will assist the board with the appropriate knowledge base to govern NNGE with sound decision making to solve current issues and plan for future growth.

I have enclosed my resume for your review. I look forward to further discussing opportunities that NNGE may have. If you have any further questions please feel free to call me at the enclosed number above.

Respectfully,


Wesley Ryan Benally, CPA



THE NAVAJO NATION

RUSSELL BEGAY
JONATHAN NEZAYEH



TEMPORARY TRIBAL GAMING LICENSE GAMING FACILITY OPERATOR

Temporary Gaming License Number
18-4709

This certifies that

WESLEY RYAN BENALLY

has been issued a Temporary Tribal Gaming License in accordance with the provisions of the Gaming Ordinances and Regulations of the Navajo Nation ("Tribe"), the Tribal-State Compact between the Tribe and the State of Arizona and State of New Mexico, and the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act (25 U.S.C. §2701 et. seq.). This temporary license is issued by the Navajo Nation Gaming Regulatory Office, the Tribe's regulatory gaming agency, pending the completion of a background investigation and determination of eligibility by the Navajo Gaming Regulatory Office and if applicable, a determination of suitability by the Arizona Department of Gaming and approval by the National Indian Gaming Commission.


Lisa F. Tsosie, Licensing Manager
Navajo Nation Gaming Regulatory Office

10/17/2018
Date



**Arizona Department
of Gaming**

Tribal Gaming Racing Boxing & MMA Problem Gambling

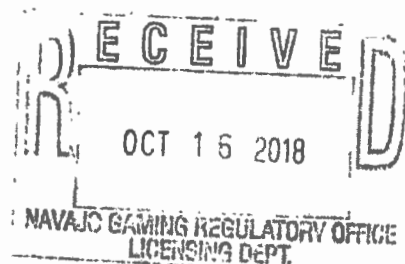


Governor Douglas A. Ducey

Director Daniel H. Bergin

10/16/2018

Navajo Gaming Regulatory Office
Paulene T. Thomas, Executive Director
PO Box 2040
Window Rock, AZ 86515



TEMPORARY RECOMMENDATION

Name: WESLEY RYAN BENALLY
Recommendation Number: Y 59916
Issue Date: 10/16/2018

The Arizona Department of Gaming has received an application for the above Tribal member and has initiated a background investigation pursuant to Compact Sections 5(a) and 5(b)(2).

This is to notify you that based upon the background investigation undertaken to date and the information disclosed on the face of the application, there is no evidence to suggest that this individual should not be licensed by the Tribal Gaming Office.

Upon completion of the full background investigation, a written recommendation as to whether this applicant should be licensed by the Tribal Gaming Office will be issued consistent with Compact Sections 5(b)(2) and 5(q).

Mark A. Calles
Manager, Employee Certification Unit

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NAVAJO NATION

RCS# 1115

Naa'bik'iyati Committee

11/29/2018

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Amd# to Amd#

Legislation No. 0366-18

PASSED

MOT BeGaye, N

Confirming the appointment of

SEC Filfred

Wesley Benally to NN Gaming

Enterprise Board of Directors...

Yea : 12

Nay : 1

Excused : 0

Not Voting : 11

Yea : 12

Begay, K
BeGaye, N
Bennett

Filfred
Jack
Kieyoomia

Perry
Pete
Shepherd

Slim
Yazzie
Yellowhair

Nay : 1

Crotty

Excused : 0

Not Voting : 11

Bates
Begay, NM
Brown

Chee
Damon
Daniels

Hale
Phelps
Smith

Tso
Tsosie