

JUDICIAL BRANCH
Of the
Gila River Indian Community

Instructions: Application for Privilege to Practice Form

Attached is the Application for Privilege to Practice form. Pursuant to Administrative Order No. 2001-05, paragraph 2, states:

“IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all eligible persons who represent any party in litigation in the Gila River Indian Community Court system, except those listed below, shall comply with the following requirements:

1. The eligible person shall submit an Application for Privilege to Practice.
2. The eligible person shall pay an annual fee of \$75.00. Fees shall be due upon submission of the Application to Practice and thereafter, each calendar year by December 31st.
3. If required by the Business Office, the eligible person shall obtain a Gila River Indian Community Business License. Information on a business license can be obtained by calling the Finance Office at (520) 562-9621 or Revenue/Internal Audit Office at (520) 562-9551
4. An ID or copy of your tribal enrollment card and/or Arizona Bar Association ID card.

Application for Privilege to Practice:

In order to practice in the Community Court, you must fill out the Application for Privilege to Practice and obtain a Gila River Indian Community Business License. Petitions can be picked up from the Sacaton Court office in Sacaton, Arizona and the Westend Judicial Center in Laveen, Arizona.

There is an annual fee to practice in the Community Court of \$75.00. Please make check/money order payable to the “**GRIC Courts**”. Your application will be reviewed and approved by the Chief Judge. A copy of the application and a certification to practice will be provided for your records.

GRIC Tribal Business License:

A copy of the business license or copy of the receipt must be attached to the Application to Practice. GRIC business license can be obtained only from the Tribal Cashier’s Office.

Payment for the GRIC business license are to be made payable to: “GRIC”, and send to **GRIC Tribal Cashiers Office, P.O. Box 326, Sacaton, AZ 85147**. If you have any questions regarding the business license, contact the GRIC Revenue/Internal Audit Office at (520) 562-9551.

If at any time, this Court is informed you have been disbarred, or suspended from practice before any Tribal, State, or Federal Court, department bureau, commission, or other body of any state of the United States, your term to practice in this court will be revoked.

If you have any further questions, please contact the Court Administration office at (520) 562-9860 ext. 9912 or 9911 Thank you.

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APPLICATION FOR PRIVILEGE TO PRACTICE

Under the provision of Title 4, Section 4.107 of the Gila River Indian Community Code, Courts and Procedures: *"Any person may represent himself or herself in the Community or Court of Appeals or choose to be represented by an attorney or advocate. Any person who is licensed to practice law In the State of Arizona or [A]ny person who is a member of a federally recognized Indian tribe"...may practice law in the Community Court and Court of Appeals.*

In order to practice in the Gila River Indian Community Court, a current, valid GRIC business license must be obtained and a copy attached to this application. If you have any questions regarding the tribal business license, please call 520-562-9621. Tribal business licenses can be obtained and paid only through the GRIC Cashier's Office, P.O. Box 2160, Sacaton, Arizona 85147 or at the GRIC Governance Center.

When submitting your Application for Privilege to Practice, an annual court fee of \$75.00 is due. Please make payable to "GRIC Court" and mail to GRIC Court, P.O.Box 368, Sacaton, AZ 85147. Attach a copy of your tribal enrollment card and/or Arizona State Bar ID card, and your tribal business license. Thank you.

The undersigned applies for admission to practice before the Gila River Indian Community Court, namely:

NAME: _____
(First) (Middle Initial) (Last)

Home Address: _____
(Street or P.O. Box)

(City) (Zip Code) (GRIC District #)

Home Telephone: _____ Soc. Sec. # _____

Tribe Affiliation: _____ Tribal ID# _____

Date of Birth: _____ State Bar ID# _____

Name of Firm: _____

Address/State/Zip: _____

Telephone/Fax/E-Mail: _____ ; _____ ; _____

List the names and location of all tribal courts where you are currently permitted to practice or have previously practiced:

Are you in good standing in every jurisdiction where you are permitted to practice?

Yes No

If no, list the name and location of the jurisdiction where you are not in good standing and provide details regarding the reason for that status:

Has your privilege to practice ever been suspended or revoked in any jurisdiction?

Yes No

If yes, list the name and location of the jurisdiction, the date of the suspension/revocation, and details regarding the circumstances of the suspension/revocation:

Have you been convicted or found guilty of any felony or misdemeanor criminal offense within the last twelve months?

Yes No

If yes, list the jurisdiction where convicted, the date of conviction, the case number, and the offense for which you were convicted (include misdemeanor traffic offenses):

Please indicate the area(s) of law in which you intend to practice in this court?

- Criminal defense Criminal defense – contracted/conflict Civil – tort
 Civil – domestic relations Civil – commercial/monies owed/contract
 Civil – GRIC representation only no private clients Civil traffic
 Children’s Court Other (specify)

Please indicate your preference:

- Please make public my availability to provide legal services.
 DO NOT want my status as a practitioner provided to the general public.

I, further represent that, other than as disclosed herein, I have never been disbarred nor suspended from practice before any Tribal/State/Federal Court, department bureau, commission or other body of any state of the United States, nor have I received any reprimands from any such court or other body, and that I am qualified to practice before this Court and am not subject to any pending disbarment or professional discipline procedure. Finally under penalty of perjury I declare that the information given is true and correct.

Signature

Date

*(Please present photo ID, State Bar Identification Card, Tribal Enrollment Card if any.)

CERTIFICATION

Pursuant to the review and consideration of the petition to practice before this Court,

is hereby certified and authorized to Practice
in the court of the Gila River Indian Community.

Signed this ____ day of _____, 20____.

Chief Judge of the
GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY COURT

NOTE: Your annual practitioner fee is due on/by December 31st every year thereafter. Tribal Business License must be current.

GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY COURTS

Sacaton Court
P.O. Box 368
Sacaton, Arizona 85147
Ph. (520) 562-9860/9861
Fax (520) 562-9867

Westend Judicial Center
4751 W. Pecos Road
Laveen, Arizona 85339
Ph. (520) 562-9862
Fax (520) 562-9869

Court Administration Office
(Same as Sacaton Court)
Ext. 9912 Court Administrator
Ext. 9911 Asst. Crt. Administrator