

OPTION A - CHEROKEE CITIZENSHIP BY PEDIGREE

This option is for people who have no relatives in the Florida Tribe of Cherokee Indians and who wish to prove, by method of genealogical preponderance of evidence, their by-blood Cherokee ties.

To apply for enrollment by this methodology, you will need to submit the following:

- Application for Enrollment, Oath & Election of Citizenship portions of this application
- A 2" x 2" or larger, passport-sized color photo. Photo must significantly show the head and shoulders in a face-forward, frontal pose with a single white, or light colored, background.
- 6 Generation Pedigree Chart (**Note:** This may be sent to our offices prior to applying for pre-approval verification)
- Genealogical Proof. Specifically, we'll need a copy of your birth certificate as primary proof of your claim. Additional proof, such as copies of genealogical books tracing your family line, newspaper birth/death notices, court documents, copies of rolls, etc. are strongly requested as substantiative proof but are not usually required. Do not send us originals. Send us only copies as since nothing that you send us will be returned. Unless special circumstances warrant it, no certified copies shall be required. With the exception of certificates of births, marriages and deaths abroad, no foreign documentation of Cherokee proof will be accepted. All proof should be from American sources where possible and required.
- Self-addressed, stamped envelope addressed to you
- Non-refundable enrollment fee, in the form of a check or money order, for \$30 made payable to the **Florida Tribe of Cherokee Indians, Inc.**

An application must have all of the above included with it. When the application is complete, please mail it to: **Florida Tribe of Cherokee Indians, ATTN: Enrollment Board, PO Box 263, Milton, FL 32572-0263.**

OPTION B - CHEROKEE CITIZENSHIP BY COMPOUNDED GENEALOGY

This option is for people who have relatives in the Florida Tribe of Cherokee Indians and who wish to prove their by-blood Cherokee ties by using the enrolled citizen's base roll files as proof of claim.

To apply for enrollment by this methodology, you will need to submit the following:

- Application for Enrollment, Oath & Election of Citizenship portions of this application
- A 2" x 2" or larger, passport-sized color photo. Photo must significantly show the head and shoulders in a face-forward, frontal pose with a single white, or light colored, background.
- 4 Generation Pedigree Chart
- Genealogical Proof. Specifically, we'll need a copy of your birth certificate as primary proof of your claim. Additionally, we will need a completed letter of verification from your cited relative that you are basing your enrollment upon. Any additional proof of your Cherokee by-blood claim is welcomed but not specifically required unless needed by the Enrollment Board for special circumstance cases. Any proof submitted must be from American sources. The only exceptions are certificates of births, marriages, and deaths abroad.
- Self-addressed, stamped envelope addressed to you
- Non-refundable enrollment fee, in the form of a check or money order, for \$15 (Note: If the applicant is a child, under the age of 18, the enrollment fee is \$5), made payable to the **Florida Tribe of Cherokee Indians, Inc.**

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OPTION C- NON CHEROKEE CITIZENSHIP

This option is for people who cannot, or otherwise wishes not to, prove by-blood Cherokee pedigree. Such people may be spouses of by-blood Cherokee citizens of the Florida Tribe of Cherokee Indians, people from tribal backgrounds other than Cherokee, people who have contributed a significant amount of resources/time to the betterment of the Florida Tribe of Cherokee Indians, etc. Due to the unique classification of enrollment, the Florida Tribe of Cherokee Indians reserves the right to limit who and how many people can enroll as Non-Cherokee.

To apply for enrollment by this methodology, you will need to submit the following:

- Application for Enrollment, Oath & Election of Citizenship portions of this application
- A 2" x 2" or larger, passport-sized color photo. Photo must significantly show the head and shoulder in a face-forward, frontal pose with a single white, or light colored, background.
- Genealogical Proof. Specifically, we'll only need a copy of your birth certificate. Please, only send copies as since all records submitted become the permanent property of the Florida Tribe of Cherokee Indians.
- Self-addressed, stamped envelope addressed to you
- Non-refundable enrollment fee, in the form of a check or money order, for \$15 made payable to the **Florida Tribe of Cherokee Indians, Inc.**

An application must have all of the above included with it. When the application is complete, please mail it to: **Florida Tribe of Cherokee Indians, ATTN: Enrollment Board, PO Box 263, Milton, FL 32572-0263.**



STATEMENT OF CONFIDENTIALITY & OWNERSHIP OF RECORDS

The Florida Tribe of Cherokee Indians (Tribe), and our fiscal non-profit arm, the Florida Tribe of Cherokee Indians, Inc., claim ownership of any and all records sent to the tribe for enrollment purposes. No records submitted to the Tribe, unless otherwise allowed by law, may be publically viewable, sold, or traded to non-government third parties. With the exception of citizens requesting copies of their own enrollment files, only officers of the Tribe, members of the Enrollment Board, and government officials (as prescribed by law) may view, hold, or attain copies of enrollment records unless otherwise prescribed by law. All records submitted are considered to be confidential. All identification cards, affidavits, and other legal documents of the Tribe indicating proof of enrollment are considered the property of the Tribe.

STATEMENT OF NON-PROFIT STATUS

The Florida Tribe of Cherokee Indians, Inc. (Corporation) is the non-profit, charitable, fiscal arm of the Florida Tribe of Cherokee Indians (Tribe), a non-recognized tribal entity. The Corporation and the Tribe should never be considered one-in-the-same entity. Further, the Corporation is registered with the Florida Commissioner of Agriculture & Consumer Services as registrant #CH29301. Per F.S. 496.405, **"A COPY OF THE OFFICIAL REGISTRATION AND FINANCIAL INFORMATION MAY BE OBTAINED FROM THE DIVISION OF CONSUMER SERVICES BY CALLING TOLL-FREE (800-435-7352) WITHIN THE STATE. REGISTRATION DOES NOT IMPLY ENDORSEMENT, APPROVAL, OR RECOMMENDATION BY THE STATE."**

