

## Council of the Cherokee Nation

Cherokee Nation Tribal Council 17763 S. Muskogee Ave. Tahlequah, OK 74464

## Legislation Text

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## A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF JOHN GARRETT AS A JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT

WHEREAS, the Cherokee Nation since time immemorial has exercised the sovereign rights of self-government in behalf of the Cherokee people; and,

WHEREAS, the Cherokee Nation is a federally recognized Indian Nation with a historic and continual government to government relationship with the United States of America; and,

WHEREAS, Justices of the Supreme Court are authorized in Article VIII, Section 1 of the constitution of the Cherokee Nation (1999); and,

WHEREAS, according to Article VIII, Section 2, of the constitution, the Justices shall be appointed by the Principal Chief and confirmed by the council of the Cherokee Nation; and,

WHEREAS, Supreme Court Justice, Kyle Haskins has resigned effective June 1, 2012, which creates a vacancy on the court that needs to be filled; and,

WHEREAS, the term of office for the Justice of Seat Five (5) expires December 31, 2018; and,

WHEREAS, the Principal Chief has appointed John C. Garrett as a Justice of the Supreme Court of the Cherokee Nation, Seat 5, to fulfill the duties of Justice as articulated Article VII of the Constitution; and

WHEREAS, John C. Garrett is duly qualified to fill this position.

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CHEROKEE NATION,** that John C. Garrett is hereby confirmed as a Justice of the Supreme Court of the Cherokee Nation, Seat 5, to fulfill the duties of Justices as specified in Article VIII of the Constitution of the Cherokee Nation for a term beginning June 1, 2012, and ending December 31, 2018.