



DISTRICT COURT FOR THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

DIVISION ONE

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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

The Muscogee (Creek) Nation provides many invaluable services to the people in our community. In particular, the Nation has embarked on a campaign to educate the public about domestic violence and alternatives and resources available during times of crisis. The Nation has at least two domestic violence advocates who provide services and comfort to victims of violence. The Nation also has a S.A.N.E. (Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner) manager who secures the services of qualified professionals to properly and compassionately serve victims of sexual assault.

Over the years, the Muscogee (Creek) Nation has been very visible in this community and in the courts of this county to ensure victims of abuse and violence have the courage to stand up in a court of law. To folks like me, and the lawyers who practice before me, the courthouse is simply a building in which we engage in our profession. To others, however, the marbled floors and halls can be quite overwhelming and intimidating.

Domestic violence and support for victims is not new to the Creek Nation. They have pressed an ongoing public and aggressive campaign for well over a decade that I am personally aware of (and probably much longer). I have witnessed a sea change in this community's understanding and resolve to prevent and deal, head on, with all forms of domestic violence. The Creek Nation has been primarily responsible for this change. I give my whole-hearted support to continued funding for the Nation's efforts in this regard.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Kenneth E. Adair
District Judge