

Office of
James C. Davis
National Attorney for The Creek Nation
Muskogee, Oklahoma

June Fifth,
Nineteen-Eighteen.

Honorable G. W. Grayson,
Principal Chief of the Creek Nation,
Eufaula, Oklahoma.

Dear Capt. Grayson:

I am today in receipt of your of June 4th, enclosing a copy of a resolution signed by Bunnie McIntosh, Chairman, and George Stidham, Secretary, advising that the same was passed by a mass meeting of Creek citizens assembled in the City of Okmulgee, on the 14th day of May, 1918, requesting you, as Principal Chief of Muskogee Nation, to furnish, at an early date, an estimate of all expenses of the different departments connected with the administration of your office for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1918. You request me to prepare such a statement as is required by the resolution and forward it to you at Eufaula, Oklahoma.

I can not well comply with your request until after July 1, 1918, inasmuch as the resolution calls for an estimate of all expenses of the different departments connected with your office for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1918. The books will not be made up until sometime following July 1st. I will, however, do all in my power to expedite the compilation of such a report as the resolution contemplates and forward it

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to you at the very earliest date possible.

For the present I will state that the affairs of the Creek Nation are now being conducted at less expense than at any time heretofore in its history.

During a part of the present fiscal year, beginning July 1st, 1917, there were present on its pay roll, Moty Tiger, Principal Chief, Judge R. C. Allen, National Attorney, James C. Davis, Assistant National Attorney, G. W. Grayson, Interpreter to the Chief, W. L. Reed, Field Agent, R. L. Baugh, Field Agent, Eula J. Branson, Clerk and Acting Secretary, Lola M. Rambo, Stenographer, Peter Ewing, Interpreter, and Chapley Yarhola, Interpreter.

At this time there are on the pay roll, G. W. Grayson, Principal Chief, James C. Davis, National Attorney, W. L. Reed, Field Agent, and Eula J. Branson, Clerk and Acting Secretary. These four members have been the sole employees of the Creek Nation since February 1, 1918, and it will thus be seen that the salary expense account has been greatly reduced.

I have not at hand, at this time, the expense accounts, either of your office or of this office, but I can safely say that those expenses have likewise been greatly reduced.

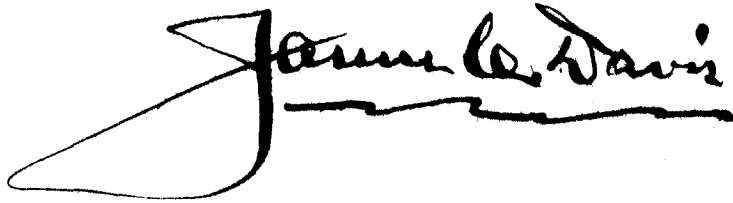
In due course I will prepare, and mail to you, an itemized expense account, including salaries, of this office and your own, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1917, and

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ending June 30, 1918.

Copies of this letter are herewith enclosed for Mr.
McIntosh and Mr. Stidham.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "James C. Davis". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping initial "J" and a horizontal line extending from the end of the name.

JCD(LMR).

Creek National Attorney.

James C. Davis
National Attorney for The Creek Nation
Muskogee, Oklahoma

*Letter of Atty. Davis
stating why a full statement of
Expenses of Office cannot very
well now be given.*



Honorable G. W. Grayson,

Principal Chief of the Creek Nation,

Eufaula, Oklahoma..