

A RESOLUTION DENYING THE CLAIM OF S.W PEEL:

Your Finance Committee has had under consideration the claim of S.W. Peel, for Services claimed to have been rendered to the Choctaw Nation, in the Court of Claims, at Washington, D.C., in the Suit of Pike heirs vs Choctaw Nation.

The Matter has been carefully considered, and we submit the following report:

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By an Act of the General Council of the Choctaw Nation, approved October 19, 1893, the office of Delegate to the Congress of the United States was created, which Act prescribed his duties, provides for his compensation, and is as follows:

"Section 1 Be it enacted by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled; that the office of delegate to the Congress of the United States be and the same is hereby created; that said delegate so appointed as herein provided, shall not be less than thirty-five years of age, and a Choctaw Indian by blood.

Section 2 That said delegate shall be appointed by the Principal Chief, by and with the consent and approval of the Senate. Said Delegate shall represent the Choctaw Nation in all her interests whatever in Congress, and before the departments, and shall keep the Principal Chief thoroughly advised as to all matters under his charge and supervision, and he shall make an annual report of all matters in his charge to the General Council, annually, and such matter and other reports as he may be called upon to make from time to time by the Principal Chief.

Section 3 That the term of office of said delegate shall be for four years. He shall be required to reside at Washington, D. C., and shall be present during all sessions of Congress, unless otherwise directed by the Principal Chief.

Section 4 That the salary of said delegate shall be five thousand dollars (\$5,000) per annum, payable quarterly upon warrants to be issued by the National Auditor, for the first quarter's allowance of said delegate to be paid in advance at the time of his appointment.

Section 5 That said delegate is authorized and empowered to employ such attorney or attorneys as he may deem advisable, and by and with the advise and consent of the principal Chief, on requisition drawn by said Delegate, and countersigned by the Principal Chief of the Choctaw Nation, on the Treasurer of the Choctaw Nation to disburse and expend not more than two thousand dollars per annum in payment of such attorney or attorneys so employed by said delegate.

Section 6 That this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval."

Bill no 21

Read, interpreted

Passed the Senate

and Referred to  
lower House.

This 18<sup>th</sup> day of Dec  
1902.

Wm. H. Harrison  
Pres of Senate Protem

Jos. Conser  
Recording Secretary

Read, interpreted passed  
the House and referred to  
Chief Clerk the 18<sup>th</sup> day  
of Dec-1902.

R. J. Ward  
Speaker of House

Attest:  
W. W. Cooper  
Rec. Secy

Approved this  
the 18<sup>th</sup> day of  
Dec-1902  
Gen. W. C. Custer  
Principal Chief  
Choctaw Nation

Filed in the Natl Secy  
Office this the 18<sup>th</sup> day  
of Dec 1902 E. H. Wilson  
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RESOLUTION.  
We therefore recommend the adoption of the following  
of the said S. W. Peck has already been adjusted.  
said to the said S. W. Peck; your committee concludes that the claim  
formely made in amount as our records show that this amount has been  
to pay not more than two thousand dollars for the services of at-  
torney.  
EXTRAORDINARY SESSION ASSEMBLED:  
That the claim of the said S. W. Peck, for ser-  
vices claimed to have been rendered by him in the court of claims  
at Washington, D. C. in the suit of Pike heirs vs Choctaw Nation be  
and the same is hereby denied.  
Be it further resolved that this resolution  
shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage  
and approval.

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