

RESOLUTION OF THE  
WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE OF THE  
FORT APACHE INDIAN RESERVATION

WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribe has a claim now pending in the Indian Claims Commission, and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to perfect said claims that the services of one qualified to perform ethnological studies and other related services pertaining to the aboriginal land claims of the said Tribe, and

WHEREAS, Dr. Harry Getty is qualified to perform said studies, field work and services.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation in a regular meeting assembled on the 21st day of June, 1957 that Dr. Harry Getty is hereby engaged to perform ethnological studies and field work for the White Mountain Apache Tribe pursuant to that said contract which is attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof. Said contract is hereby approved by the Chairman of said Tribal Council, Clinton Kessay, and the Secretary of said Tribal Council, Mary C. Endfield, are hereby authorized and directed to execute said contract for and on behalf of said Tribe.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in order to provide funds for the engaged services of said Dr. Harry Getty there is hereby authorized and appropriated from tribal funds on deposit with the Treasurer of the United States the sum of \$3,000.00. Said funds to be expended in accordance with the said contract between the said Dr. Harry Getty and the White Mountain Apache Tribe.

The foregoing Resolution was on June 21, 1957 duly adopted by a vote of 8 for and 0 against by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it by Article VI, Section 1 (d) of the Constitution and By-Laws of the Tribe, ratified by the Tribe on August 15, 1938, and approved by the Secretary of the Interior on August 26, 1938, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984).

Approved           JUN 28 1957          

*Clinton Kessay*  
Chairman of the Tribal Council

*Robert M. Howley*  
Superintendent

*Mary C. Endfield*  
Secretary of the Tribal Council

Resolution

Be it resolved by the Council of the San Carlos Apache Tribe in a regular meeting assembled on 4 June 1957 as follows:

That it hereby (1) approves of the contract between such Tribe and the White Mountain Apache Tribe on the one hand, and Dr. Harry Getty on the other hand, which contract is attached hereto and made a part hereof; and (2) authorizes and directs its Chairman, Jess Stevens, and its Secretary, Marvin Mull, to execute the same on page 5 thereof for and on behalf of such Tribe.

The foregoing resolution was on 4 June 1957 duly approved by a vote of \_\_\_\_\_ in favor and \_\_\_\_\_ against by the Tribal Council of the San Carlos Apache Tribe.

San Carlos Apache Tribe

by *Jess Stevens*  
Jess Stevens  
Chairman

and *Marvin Mull*  
Marvin Mull  
Secretary

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The foregoing resolution, and the contract attached thereto, are hereby approved, and it is recommended that such contract be approved by the Commissioner of Indian Affairs.

Executed at San Carlos, Arizona on June 1957.

Approval recommended: June 4, 1957

*Thomas H. Lodge*  
Superintendent

PROPOSAL FOR RESEARCHI. Introduction.

It is understood that the San Carlos Apache Tribe and the White Mountain Apache Tribe have each engaged the same Claims Attorneys, who, pursuant to the Act of August 13, 1946, have filed claims on behalf of the San Carlos Apache Tribe, and on behalf of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, and on behalf of the respective aboriginal tribes, bands and groups of each of them, and that said claims are now pending before the Indian Claims Commission.

In said proceedings the White Mountain Apache Tribe and the tribes, bands and groups thereof, and the San Carlos Apache Tribe and the tribes, bands and groups thereof, make claim for the value of the lands owned by them and each of them which were allegedly appropriated by the United States. As the basis for presenting said claims fully and fairly to the Indian Claims Commission, it is deemed essential to assemble, study, correlate and analyze all significant ethnological, historical and related information regarding, inter alia, the extent and boundaries of the lands used and occupied by said tribes, bands and groups as of the time of the appropriation of the lands by the United States, as well as for a considerable period prior thereto. It is also deemed desirable that additional field work and investigation be performed by a trained anthropologist with reference to certain pertinent subjects. Also, it is considered necessary that the oral testimony of a trained anthropologist be presented to the Commission with reference to said claims.

The following is a statement of a proposal for research to be performed by Dr. Harry Getty (presently Associate Professor in the Department of Anthropology, University of Arizona) for purpose of assisting in the presentation of the claims of said Tribes before the Indian Claims Commission.

## II. Objectives of Project.

To research, study, investigate, consult, report upon, and testify as an expert with respect to the following primary subjects:

A. The extent and boundaries of the lands respectively used and occupied by the San Carlos Apache Tribe and by the White Mountain Apache Tribe and the respective tribes, bands and groups of each of them, and the nature of such use and occupancy at the time of appropriation by the United States.

B. The approximate period of time prior to appropriation by the United States that the said tribes, bands and groups were using and occupying the land which they used and occupied in the period from 1850 to appropriation by the United States, and the nature and extent of such use and occupancy in the prior period in so far as they shed light on or indicate the nature and extent of the use and occupancy in the period of appropriation by the United States.

## III. Scope of Project.

It is understood that the Claims Attorneys for the White Mountain Apache Tribe and for the San Carlos Apache Tribe earlier engaged Dr. Morris Opler for the purpose of preparation of a report on the Apaches including the tribes, bands and groups of the White Mountain Apache Tribe and the San Carlos Apache Tribe, and that such report has been completed. It is further understood that the Claims Attorneys have also collected, from archival and other sources, a considerable body of material pertinent to the primary subjects of this project. To avoid duplication of effort and to facilitate Dr. Getty's work, copies of Dr. Opler's report and the other material collected by the Claims Attorneys will be made available to Dr. Getty.

The performance of this project by Dr. Getty will include:

A. Assembling, analyzing and correlating all significant writings of ethnologists, and other scholars setting forth data and findings pertinent to the

aforesaid primary subjects.

B. Assisting the Claims Attorneys in assembling, analyzing and correlating from archival, university, library, historical societies and other sources and institutions, letters, reports, maps and other records and writings containing data pertinent to the aforesaid primary subjects.

C. To the extent deemed necessary to fill gaps in or supplement prior ethnological studies, and to the extent deemed necessary to present the claims fully and fairly, additional field and investigative work will be undertaken with the best informed members of the Tribes.

D. It is not contemplated that any over-all report will be prepared by Dr. Getty which will be presented as an exhibit in the proceedings. However, upon request by the Claims Attorneys, reports will be prepared upon particular phases of the aforesaid primary subjects.

E. Attendance at trial, and testifying as an expert witness at trial, and consultation with the Claims Attorneys in advance of the trial.

#### IV. Period and Time of Performance of Project.

It is believed that it will require work over a period of twenty-eight (28) weeks for Dr. Getty to perform the duties outlined in this proposal.

Dr. Getty advises that he will be able to spend four weeks during the two-month period July and August 1957 in the performance of the duties of this proposal. Also, if this proposal is accepted, Dr. Getty plans to take a leave of absence from his University duties during the period from September 1, 1957, to February 1, 1958, so as to devote his full time during the 22 weeks of said period to the performance of duties of this proposal.

It is believed that attendance at trial and consultation with the Claims Attorneys in advance of trial will consume approximately two weeks. The actual

date of trial as well as time of consultation in advance of trial cannot be determined at present, since it will depend on the calendar of the Indian Claims Commission, the availability and convenience of the witnesses, the state of the preparation of defense by the Government, as well as other factors.