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A valuable resource for attorneys, judges, and historians, this hardcover, eight volume set compiles, indexes, and digests the decisions of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation Tribal Courts from the time the Tribe was removed to Oklahoma in 1832 to the present

Volume 1 contains a short history of Muscogee (Creek) Nation Tribal Courts, an explanation of the tribe's current governmental structure, the District Court Rules, and the trial court decisions from 1979-1994 (the federal government shut down the tribal court from 1906-1979).

Volumes 2 and 3 contain the trial court decisions from 1995-present; while Volume 4 contains the Supreme Court rules and Supreme Court opinions from 1979-present.

Sample case from modern era:

synopsis summarizes case and procedural history

relevant topics lists key subjects discussed in opinion

Research Points highlight key points of opinion

In the Matter of the Adoption of S.K.T.
A minor child

In the District Court of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation

No. AD–02–05

January 7, 2003

Summary Overview

Case Synopsis: The Muscogee (Creek) Nation District Court, Moore, J., terminated the rights of the natural father due to father's failure to support child and father's failure to maintain a relationship with child.

Relevant Topics: Domestic Relations

Research Points:

1. Domestic Relations: Termination of Parental Rights
   The Court terminated the rights of the natural father due to father's failure to support child and father's failure to maintain a relationship with child.

   Lori J. Guevara, TU Muscogee (Creek) Nation Indian Legal Clinic, for Petitioners

MOORE, J.

Now on this 7th day of January 2003, the above-entitled matter of the status of S.K.T, age twelve (12) as to her natural father, P.T., comes on for review and disposition.

Upon application of Attorney Lori J. Guevara, counsel for the minor child's maternal grandparents S.B. and E.K.B., upon hearing the argument of counsel, and in consideration of said argument, the relevant and applicable law, and all the pleadings and orders contained within the Court's files, the Court makes the following findings and orders:

Volumes 5,6, and 7 contain transcriptions of the tribal court proceedings from 1832-1906, organized into the six historic judicial districts and the Supreme Court. These are formatted as closely as possible to the originals. As part of the effort to preserve the original format, Research Points and case synopses are not included in Volumes 5-7.

sample case from historic era:

Arkansas/Muskogee District 5Mvs:297

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Manuel v. Harris

Criminal Court convened at 9 Oclk A.M. E L Robins presiding

Jurors roll was called 23 answering present the case:

Morris Manuel
v.
Chief Harris
| "A Civil Suit"

Was called, the Lawyers of both the Defendent[sic] and Plaintiff agreed that the Judge shall make the selection of (9) nine disinteresting[sic] juror the selection was made as follows

1 Lewis Lyons
2 Lewis Rentie
3 Adam McIntosh
4 Dave Roberts
5 Tom Yardee
6 Isaac Smith
7 Charley McIntosh
8 Joe Colbert
9 Peter Edwards

The jurors was[sic] duly sworn and the case proceed, examination of witnesses discussion in order after which the Judge instructed the jurors and submitted.

The jurors render a Judgment in favor of Morris Manuel

B E McIntosh — Clerk
E L Robins — Judge of M. Dist.

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Muskogee Nation v. Kelly

Criminal Court convened at 1 Oclock P.M. no case being ready for this part of the day the jurors was disbanded untill[sic] Thursday morn 9 Oclock A.M.

The case of Newman Kelly was set for Thursday 9 Oclock A.M.

B E McIntosh — Clerk
E L Robins — Judge of M. Dist.

Vol. 8 contains variety of appendices to facilitate legal research by topic and subsequent case history

Index of Topics with Research Points (Modern Era)

Administrative Law

The Muscogee (Creek) Nation Supreme Court held that Shelly Crow and Helen Coon be designated to sit and serve on the Muscogee (Creek) Nation Hospital and Clinic Board until their replacements are nominated by the Principal Chief and confirmed by the National Council. *Hospital & Clinics Board* 4 Mvs L Rep 65

Sick leave is permissible time off from work when an employee is ill, not something that accrues a dollar value if an employee is well. *McIntosh v. Beaver* 4 Mvs L Rep 187

Appointments to the Gaming Operations Authority Board must be made by Tribal Resolution and not by National Council Resolution. *Alexander v. Gouge & Hufft* 4 Mvs L Rep 229

The Court ordered that the parties begin negotiations immediately to formulate a Memorandum of Agreement in accordance with NCA 04–55, and that the Executive Branch perform a full accounting of all assets held by the Creek Nation Housing Authority. *Muscogee (Creek) Nation v. Creek Nation Housing Authority* 3 Mvs L Rep 371

Exhaustion

The Court held that administrative remedies, as required by the Creek Nation Personnel Policy and Policy Procedural Manual, had not been exhausted and remanded the case to the appropriate Tribal agency. *Waller v. Scott & Breshears* 1 Mvs L Rep 83

The Court on its own motion, found that administrative remedies, as required by the Creek Nation Personnel Policy and Policy Procedural Manual, had not been exhausted. *Campbell* 1 Mvs L Rep 87

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