



San Manuel Tribal Court
San Manuel Indian Reservation
3214 Victoria Avenue
Highland, CA 92346
Phone: (909) 907-6920

LAY ADVOCATE APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION TO PRACTICE

1. Name: _____
 LAST FIRST MIDDLE

2. Residence: _____
 STREET ADDRESS

CITY STATE ZIP CODE

3. Employer: _____

4. Business Address: _____
 STREET ADDRESS ROOM/SUITE/FLOOR

CITY STATE ZIP CODE

5. Preferred Phone Number: _____ Fax : _____

6. E-Mail Address: _____

7. Indicate preferred mailing address (Residence or Business): _____

8. Date of Birth: _____

9. Are you a San Manuel Tribal Member applying to be a lay advocate?
Yes No
If so, please attach proof of membership (available from Senior Executive Assistant to the Business Committee, Michelle Hopper).

10. Identify all courts in which you have been admitted to practice and dates of admission:

11. Have you been held in contempt of court, censured, disbarred, or suspended from practice before any disciplinary authority or court? Yes No
If so, please provide date(s), details, and disposition below:

12. Have you been convicted of any felony? Yes No
If so, please provide date(s), details, and disposition below:

13. Are you currently the subject of any criminal investigation or disciplinary proceeding(s)? Yes No
If so, please provide date(s), details, and disposition below:

14. Do you possess at least a high school diploma or GED certificate?

Yes No

If applicable, please provide dates and details of any education subsequent to obtaining your high school diploma or GED certificate, including degrees earned and any legal or law-related education and/or training:

15. Do you possess good communication skills, both written and verbal and have the ability to express your position clearly and concisely? Yes No

Please describe any education and/or experience that demonstrate that you possess such skills:

16. Do you possess any legal or law-related work experience?

Yes No

If so, please provide details, including any experience before tribal or other courts:

17. I possess good character and moral fitness to represent individuals before this Court. I have attached two supporting Affidavits (Attachments 1 & 2) from individuals familiar with my integrity, honesty, moral character, judgment, courtesy, and self-reliance as well as providing background information on me, and further, I authorize the Court to contact these references.

18. Are you familiar with the San Manuel Judicial Code, San Manuel Rules of Evidence, San Manuel Rules of Civil Procedure, and the San Manuel Rules of Court? Yes No

19. Are you familiar with the basic principles of Federal Indian Law?

Yes No

If so, please describe how you came by such knowledge, such as your experience practicing in the field, any Indian law courses or trainings completed, or any treatises studied [recommended: *Cohen's Handbook of Federal Indian Law* (2005 ed. or subsequent ed.); David H. Getches, *et. al.*, *Cases and Materials on Federal Indian Law* (5th ed. 2004 or subsequent ed.); Stephen L. Peval, *The Rights of Indians and Tribes* (3rd ed., 2001 or subsequent ed.); and William C. Canby, Jr., *American Indian Law in a Nutshell* (5th ed., 2009 or subsequent ed.)]:

20. I understand that once admitted to practice in the San Manuel Tribal Court that I will be required to uphold Tribal laws and Court rules, and remain in good standing in this Court and in each jurisdiction listed in section 10 above.

21. A check payable to the **San Manuel Band of Mission Indians** for \$100.00 is attached.

22. My *Oath of Admission* is signed and attached to this application.

23. I understand that any license to practice before the San Manuel Tribal Court must be renewed annually on or before February 1 of each calendar year by completing a renewal application and paying a \$100.00 application fee (unless exempt) or such other fees established by the Tribe from time to time.

24. I hereby consent to the civil regulatory and adjudicatory jurisdiction of the San Manuel Band of Mission Indians and its Tribal Court.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the San Manuel Band of Mission Indians that the foregoing statements contained in this application and any accompanying documents are true and correct, with full knowledge that all statements made in this application are subject to investigation and that any false or dishonest answer to any question may be grounds for denial or subsequent revocation of license.

Date:

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APPLICANT'S NAME

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE

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For Notary Public Use Only, do not sign until instructed to do so by Notary Public.

State of _____

ss. _____)

County of _____)

Subscribed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me on this ____ day of _____,
20____, by _____.

Personally know to me Proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be
the person who appeared before me.

SIGNATURE OF NOTARY PUBLIC

(Notary Seal)