

**IN THE  
HO-CHUNK NATION SUPREME COURT**

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In Re Adoption of Revised Rules of Appellate and Civil Procedure

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**WHEREAS**, on November 1, 1994, the Hocak People secured approval of a new Constitution for the Ho-Chunk Nation, formerly known as the Wisconsin Winnebago Nation; and

**WHEREAS**, the Constitution of the Ho-Chunk Nation, art. VII, sec. 4, provides that the judicial power of the Ho-Chunk Nation shall be vested in the Judiciary; and

**WHEREAS**, the Constitution of the Ho-Chunk Nation, art. VII, sec. 7(b), authorizes the Supreme Court to establish written rules for the Judiciary, including qualifications to practice before the Ho-Chunk courts; and

**WHEREAS**, the Ho-Chunk Nation Judiciary Establishment and Organization Act, sec. 1.5c, confirms the exclusive character of the Supreme Court's rule-making authority; and

**WHEREAS**, the Supreme Court originally adopted appellate and civil rules on April 13, 1996, and May 11, 1996, respectively, followed by periodic modifications to each; and

**WHEREAS**, the Supreme Court perceived a need to specifically address the usage of artificial intelligence within the court system, while otherwise performing a general update of its appellate rules; and

**WHEREAS**, the Supreme Court broadly posted recommended revisions to the civil and appellate rules for thirty days, seeking comment from the public, including its bar association; and

**WHEREAS**, the Supreme Court has received such commentary, which it has deliberately considered prior to finalization of its rule revisions.

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED** that the Supreme Court newly adopts HCN R. Civ. P. 22 and HCN R. App. P. 13(c), pertaining to artificial intelligence usage, and generally revises its appellate rules, effective this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of January 2026, from within the sovereign land of the Ho-Chunk Nation.

BY THE COURT,



Hon. Todd R. Matha, Wanašip  
Chief Justice

*Tricia A. Zunker*

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Hon. Tricia A. Zunker, Hinuk piji  
Associate Justice

*David J.W. Klausner*

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Hon. David J.W. Klausner, Manape Huk  
Associate Justice