

IN THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL COURT
OF AND FOR THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBE
LAME DEER, MONTANA

IN THE MATTER OF:

CAUSE NO. CC 2026-079.A

MELISSA FISHER, EVA FOOTE,
GWEN SPOTTEN HORSE, STEFAN
RAININGBIRD, MELISSA
LONEBEAR, NIZHONI FRIEZ
DONOVAN LIMBERHAND,
HOWARD ONTIVEROS, EDINA RED
STAR, KRISTI KILLSNIGHT, and
RYHAL ROWLAND,

JUDGE: FRANS A. ANDERSSON

ORDER

PLAINTIFFS

v.

LARRY MEDICINE BULL, WESLEY
SPOTTED ELK, and ROGER
KILLSNIGHT,

and

JASON STANDING ELK, WAYLON
ROGERS, LLEVANDO "COWBOY"
FISHER, REUBEN ROUNDSTONE,
COREY SPOTTED ELK, JOSIE
"WADE" REDHAT, ROBERT
SIMPSON, LYNWOOD EWING,
SHARLENE EVANS, and TERRANCE
LIMPY,

DEFENDANTS.

On July 16, 2026, the APPELLATE COURT OF AND FOR THE
NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBE issued its opinion in this matter (the

“Opinion”). The Opinion: (i) affirmed the Court’s May 8th, 2026 Order Denying Motion to Dismiss, dated; (ii) reserved the Court’s May 12th 2026 Order Modifying Petitioner’s Filing; (iii) recused Judge Elkshoulder from this matter; (iv) reversed the Court’s May 20th 2026 Order Granting Permanent Injunctive Relief [and] Declaratory Relief on Respondent’s Failure to Show Evidence a Lawful Vacancy Existed Ordered by This Court by Motion for Partial Summary Judgment (the “May 20th Order”). Additionally, the Order remanded this matter to this Court “for either determination of summary judgment after all parties have responded or to set a trial in this matter, whichever the [Court] deems appropriate.

ANALYSIS

Before the Court is a decision to either (i) make determination of Plaintiff’s May 13th, 2026 Motion for Partial Summary Judgment (the “Motion”), or (ii) set a trial in this case. The Motion is, in part, dispositive. The outcome of the Motion will impact the parties litigation strategy and may narrow the disputed issues for the Court to consider. A trial in this case provides an opportunity to resolve disputes in a manner contemplated by Chapter 3 of the Code. The Court recognizes

its options are not mutually exclusive. The Court may set a trial for this case after the Motion is determined.

The Court believes making a determination of the Motion should be made prior to setting this case for trial because of the potential judicial efficiency it may afford and in recognition that this case may be set for trial after a determination of the Motion is made.

Pursuant to Section 4.2.2(C) of the NORTHERN CHEYENNE LAW AND ORDER CODE (the "Code"), the Defendants, as adverse parties, "shall have ten (10) days after receipt of the motion and brief within which to serve and file a response brief." More than ten days have passed since the Motion was filed, but the May 20th Order denied Defendant's opportunity to serve and file a response brief required by the Code.

To afford the Defendant's adequate time to respond to the Motion, the Defendant's shall have ten (10) days after receipt of this Order to serve and file a brief in response to the Motion.

If necessary, the Court will schedule a hearing with the parties to determine the unresolved issues in this case after the Motion is determined. At such time, the Court will consider scheduling a trial in this case and establishing a schedule in anticipation of the same.

ORDER

The Court orders as follows:

1. This Court assumes jurisdiction of this Matter effective July 24th, 2026;
2. Defendant's Larry Medicine Bull, Wesley Spotted Elk and Roger Killsknight are restored as defendant's in this case; and
3. Defendant's shall have ten (10) days after receipt of this Order to serve and file a brief in response to the Motion.

Dated this 24th day of July, 2026.



FRANS A. ANDERSSON, Judge
Pro Tempe Northern Cheyenne
Tribal Court



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CLERK OF COURT:
BY: Stephaine J. Galloway
DATED: 7/24/26