



CALIFORNIA NATIONS INDIAN GAMING ASSOCIATION

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ASSOCIATE MEMBER APPLICATION

ELIGIBILITY:

All persons or entities involved in the Indian gaming industry shall be eligible to apply for Associate Membership provided they meet the following criteria:

- Support tribal gaming as a means of promoting tribal economic development, self-sufficiency, and as a means to strengthen tribal governments
- Is not a person or entity whose prior activities, criminal record, if any, or reputation, habits or associations pose a threat to the public interest or to the effective regulation of gaming, or create or enhance the dangers of unsuitable, unfair, or illegal practices and methods in activities in the conduct of gaming or the carrying on of the business or financial arrangements incidental thereto;
- Commit themselves or itself to the CNIGA articles of incorporation and bylaws; and
- Pay all required fees in accordance with CNIGA fiscal year.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

- Complete in full, the Associate Membership application.
- Tribal Sponsorship is mandatory. Tribal Sponsorship simply entails a member tribe of CNIGA vouching for the integrity of the person or entity applying. Tribal Sponsorship must come from an enrolled member of said tribe.
- Mail Application, Sponsorship Letter, and Check to the CNIGA office in Sacramento.
- At the regularly scheduled CNIGA membership meeting immediately following receipt of required documents, the CNIGA treasurer will read the application. The CNIGA Executive Committee may conduct an examination and investigation of the applicant and request any additional information that it deems necessary. The Executive Committee may request the applicant to pay any reasonable costs it may incur in investigating such application as a condition to further consideration of such application.
- In accordance with CNIGA bylaws, the Board of Directors (CNIGA membership) will then move to approve or reject the application and its decision shall be final.
- Written notice of approval/denial shall be provided to applicant upon the Board of Directors (CNIGA memberships) decision.

