

D.C. Attorneys against Freedmen Resign from representing the Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma

Say Case Is About Civil Rights, Not Sovereignty

April 16, Attorney General for Cherokee freedmen federal the Cherokee Nation, Diandawsuit in 2004. Two months Hammons and Secretary oafter the tribe had intervened State, Melanie Knight stoodSmith requested the Council to before the Council stating theapprove the intervention. Administration was requestingCouncil in a split decision another \$500,000 for attorneyapproved his actions funding fees to protect the sovereigntySmith's request of \$500,000 for of the tribe in a federal suit filedattorney fees.

by Cherokee freedmen in Cherokee citizen John Cornsilk Washington D.C. However on Cherokee citizen John Cornsilk the following day one of the filed suit in the JAT asking the best sovereignty firms in court to rule that Smith had America retained by the tribe used the law retroactively by resigned stating the case was not receiving permission by longer about sovereignty but Council prior to the about Civil Rights. intervention and that retroactive operation within the

The Washington DC firm of tribe is unconstitutional. Synosky, Chambers & Miller However the JAT dismissed the bowed out of the high profile case ruling that Cornsilk did not case that has been covered have standing to file the issue news around the world after a Although at the time of the special election was held where meeting Councilors were Cherokees voted to revoke unawared the firm was about to citizenship rights of black resign. Inside sources say the Cherokees who had been Administration knew and were citizens by a federal treaty for making a last ditch effort to 140 years. The firm stated civil manipulate Council to fund the rights law was not one of their appropriation so they could specialties and they would not keep the firm by paying a longer represent CNO. million dollar retainer.

Chief Chad Smith filed a motion to intervene in the continued on page 2

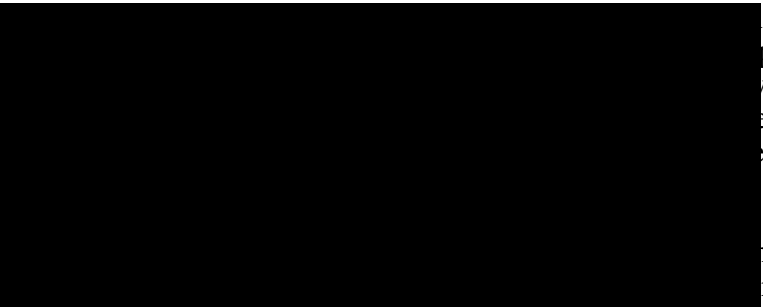
EDITORIAL Smith's Candidacy for illegal Third Term Threatens \$240 Million in CNO Federal Funding

Unconstitutional Candidate Embarrasses Nation with Naked Power Grab and Precipitates New Crisis in CNO Tribal Government

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racial classification in viola of Cherokee constitution al and the Indian Civil Rights The tribal referendum, eve it had been initiated in e tr eedmen, attempts to seize power with an illegal third term, the congressional critics of the CNO will have all the justification they need to

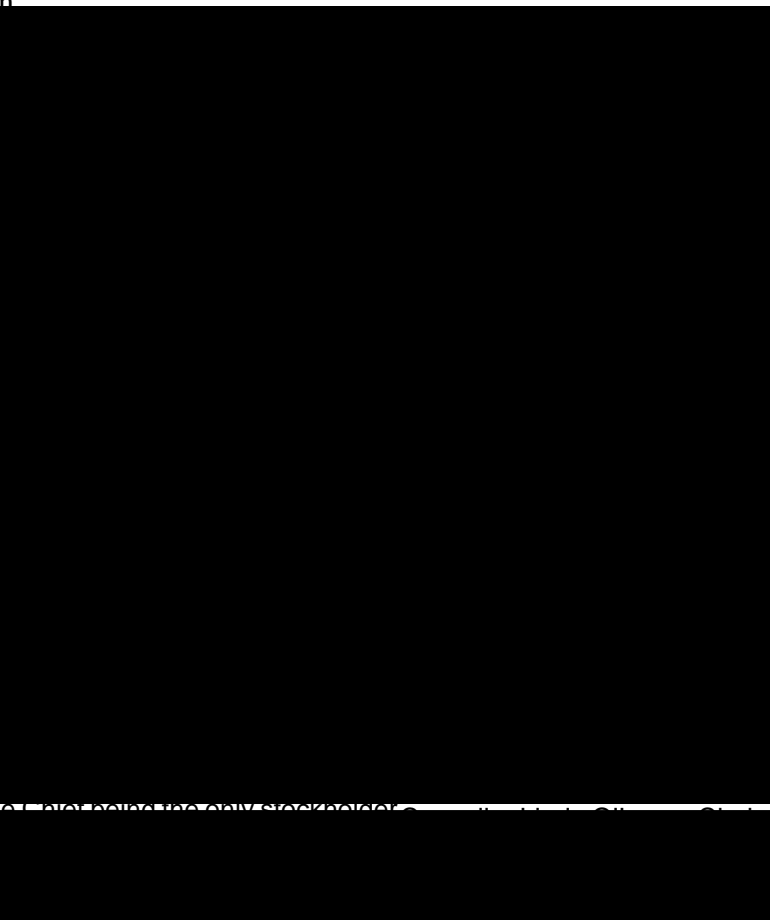
The Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) now claims to be investigating the legality of the March 27, 2007 referendum at

Voting Record A Report Card For Incumbents

Parents generally examine their child's report card to see how well their child is doing in school. The Cherokee Observer newspaper is doing their work well at school by examining the blood and effectively revoke the citizenship Blackwell OK 9403 80487 tribal government incumbents voting for legislative from functioning as election have something similar your conscience with the Cherokee treaty with the Freedmen and turn it into a people that have been the fate of the Freedmen looking at their voting record for as long as possible for Few voters have checked incumbents may have a protest

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