THE CONFEDERATED TRIBES OF GRAND RONDE
INDIGENT DEFENSE
INDIGENT DEFENSE ATTORNEY – QUALIFICATIONS

The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde (CTGR) operates a Tribal Court that has adopted several ordinances that govern cases that come before the Court. In addition, the Court has adopted by promulgation, the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, Federal Rules of Appellate Procedure as well as the local district and circuit rules, and the Federal Rules of Evidence. The Court does not currently exercise criminal jurisdiction nor does it conduct jury trials.

Indigent Defense Attorneys’ for the Tribal Court provide legal services to families involved in child welfare cases in the jurisdiction of the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde Tribal Court.

Indigent Defense Attorneys’ for Tribal Court are a contracted position with the Tribe. Contracts are for two-years and compensation is established by the contract. All applications are accepted, but preference in contracting will be given to members of the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde and members of other Federally Recognized Indian Tribes.

The statutory prerequisites to qualify for appointment include:

1. Must have a J.D. or LL.B degree from an ABA accredited law school
2. Must be a member of the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde Tribal Court Bar
3. Must be a member of the Oregon State Bar, or a member of any state bar that grants reciprocity to the Oregon State Bar
4. Must have experience practicing law (which may include service on a tribal, federal or state court bench)
5. Must have a demonstrable knowledge of Indian, Federal, and Oregon law.

If interested in applying to become a CTGR Indigent Defense attorney and meet the prerequisites above:

1. Submit a letter of interest, CV and/or a resume.
2. Submit proof of tribal enrollment (if applicable).
3. Apply to the CTGR Tribal Bar (application is on our website).

If you would like more information about this program, contact the:

Tribal Court
Attn: Tribal Court Programs Coordinator
9615 Grand Ronde Rd.
Grand Ronde, OR 97347

Email: CourtPrograms@grandronde.org
Phone: (503) 879-4623
Fax: 503-879-2269
Webpage: Tribal Court Programs