

## MEMORANDUM OF COOPERATIVE PUBLISHING AGREEMENT

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

By and Between

Tribe: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Hereinafter "TRIBAL COURT"

And

VersusLaw, Inc.  
8383 158th Ave NE  
Suite 250  
Redmond, WA 98052

Hereinafter ♦VERSUSLAW♦

WITNESSETH:

It is mutually agreed as follows:

WHEREAS, access to the opinions for tribal courts nationwide is essential to the work of TRIBAL COURT and the publication of the opinions of TRIBAL COURT is one of the most critical tools to improving knowledge and understanding of tribal justice systems, and

WHEREAS, VERSUSLAW provides an electronic library comprised of the full-text appellate court opinions accessible via the Internet, the parties enter into the following agreement:

1. TRIBAL COURT will provide the text of all legal opinions deemed appropriate for posting by TRIBAL COURT to VERSUSLAW in a non-exclusive agreement for formatting, publication and research by VERSUSLAW. TRIBAL COURT will provide to VERSUSLAW as much archived material as is available within ten (10) business days after receiving a valid VERSUSLAW login and password. TRIBAL COURT may provide opinions with party names deleted as deemed appropriate by TRIBAL COURT.
2. TRIBAL COURT will provide the opinions to VERSUSLAW in electronic, machine-readable format, where available, and in paper format otherwise.
3. TRIBAL COURT will continue to provide the opinions to VERSUSLAW as they are issued by its Courts. TRIBAL COURT will make the opinions available to VERSUSLAW within ten (10) business days of when

the opinion is rendered in its final form by the Court. Furthermore, TRIBAL COURT agrees to provide opinions to VERSUSLAW from the date of this agreement until December 31, 2006, after which this agreement will be reviewed for continuation.

4. TRIBAL COURT will email opinions to [dapm@versuslaw.com](mailto:dapm@versuslaw.com) <<mailto:dapm@versuslaw.com>> or mail opinions to VERSUSLAW.

5. VERSUSLAW will publish trial-level (TRIBAL COURT Tribal Court) final opinions and all appellate-level (TRIBAL COURT Court of Appeals) opinions on the VERSUSLAW electronic library.

6. VERSUSLAW will grant to the judges and the clerks of TRIBAL COURT a VERSUSLAW ID number and password. The ID number and password will enable those users to access, free of charge, the entire collection of opinions provided by TRIBAL COURT, the opinions provided by all the other participating tribal courts, and the VERSUSLAW database of federal and state court decisions.\*

7. VERSUSLAW will control how the information is formatted and presented to all users. However, VERSUSLAW will not make any changes to the content of the opinions of TRIBAL COURT. VERSUSLAW asserts no claim of copyright on the text of the opinions provided by TRIBAL COURT.

8. VERSUSLAW retains the right to sell the opinions for profit on the open market via any electronic media including the Internet.

9. It is agreed that the free access to the VERSUSLAW federal, state and tribal court databases for the TRIBAL COURT judges and clerks will be adequate and sufficient consideration for the use by VERSUSLAW of TRIBAL COURT opinions.

10. It is understood that VERSUSLAW has collaborative relationships with the National American Indian Court Judges Association (NAICJA), the National Tribal Justice Resource Center, and the Tribal Law and Policy Institute (TLPI). In support of these relationships VERSUSLAW will provide NAICJA and TLPI with access to the opinions of TRIBAL COURT whereas NAICJA and TLPI have the right to publish these tribal court opinions on all NAICJA and TLPI related and authorized websites.

11. This written agreement contains the sole and entire agreement between the parties.

\* The material included in the federal, state, and tribal court databases is updated on a daily basis. For the most current information regarding the scope of the databases please visit the VersusLaw website at [www.versuslaw.com](http://www.versuslaw.com) <<http://www.versuslaw.com>>.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have entered into this agreement as shown below:

**VERSUSLAW:**

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(Signature)

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(Name printed)

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(Title)

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(Date)

**TRIBAL COURT:**

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(Signature)

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(Name printed)

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(Title)

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(Date)