ONEIDA JUDICIARY APPELLATE COURT INITIAL REVIEW

Docket/Parties: Case# 15-AC-002/14-TC-191, Linda S. Dallas, Petitioner, v. Oneida Election Board Date Filed: January 5, 2015 Date of Initial Review: January 23, 2015

The purpose of Initial Review (IR) is to answer threshold questions regarding the jurisdiction of a case and the procedural and material sufficiency of the Notice of Appeal. IR will determine if a case is ripe for appellate review and if not ripe, will determine whether the Trial Court or which Original Hearing Body (OHB) has jurisdiction. IR may affirm or overturn a single issue decision of an OHB where that similar issue has been settled as a matter of law by previous appellate court decisions. Pursuant to Oneida General Tribal Council Resolution 01-07-13-B adopting Chapter 150, the JUDICIARY law, Chapter 153, ONEIDA JUDICIARY RULES OF CIVIL PROCEDURE and Chapter 154, ONEIDA JUDICIARY RULES OF APPELLATE PROCEDURE, The Appellate Court shall accept an Appeal from the Decision of the Trial Court or Original Hearing Body, as specifically set forth in 154.1.(o), Initial Review, addressing the existence of any of following elements:

- 1. ____ A violation of constitutional provisions.
- 2. ____ The decision is outside the scope of the authority or otherwise unlawful.
- 3. ____ The decision is clearly erroneous and is against the weight of the evidence presented at the hearing level.
- 4. ____ The decision is arbitrary and/or capricious
- 5. -x There is exhibited a procedural irregularity which would be considered a harmful error that may have contributed to the final decision, which if the error had not occurred, would have altered the final decision.
- 6. There is presentation or introduction of new evidence that was not available at the hearing level, which, if available, may have altered the final decision.

INITIAL REVIEW DECISION

Reviewing Oneida Appellate Judges: Gerald L. Hill, Chad Hendricks and Jennifer Hill-Kelley

TO: The Oneida Trial Court in the above captioned case. Pursuant to 150.8-3. (a) (1) of the Oneida Tribal Code, Notice is hereby given that the Oneida Tribal Judiciary, Court of Appeals, hereby Remands this case to the original Trial Court to address and set forth findings of fact as to Notice and Service of the Hearing held on December 19, 2014. Specifically, the Court asks that the Trial Court address the issue of timely Notice to the Petitioner of the scheduling of the December 19, 2014 hearing. Response to this Remand shall be mailed or delivered within thirty (30) calendar days upon receipt of this request. The Response will be mailed or delivered to:

> The Oneida Judiciary P.O. Box 19, Suite # 1 Ridgeview Plaza 3759 West Mason Street, Oneida, WI 54155

Date: 1-23-2015 **Presiding Judge Signature:**