

LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET
Tracking No. 0027-19

DATE: February 4, 2019

SUBJECT: AN ACTION RELATING TO NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEE AND THE NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL; CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF CHRISTOPHER BECENTI AS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE NAVAJO NATION TELECOMMUNICATION REGULATORY COMMISSION

PURPOSE: The purpose of this legislation is to confirm Christopher Becenti as the Executive Director for the Navajo Nation Telecommunication Regulatory Commission.

This written summary does not address recommended amendments as may be provided by the standing committees. The Office of Legislative Counsel requests each Council Delegate review the proposed resolution in detail.-

5-DAY BILL HOLD PERIOD: 2/13/19
Website Posting Time/Date: _____
Posting End Date: 2/13/19
Eligible for Action: 2/14/19

Resources & Development Committee
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Naabik'iyáti' Committee
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Navajo Nation Council

1 PROPOSED NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL RESOLUTION
2 24TH NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL – First Year, 2019

3 INTRODUCED BY

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6 (Prime Sponsor)

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14 TELECOMMUNICATION REGULATORY COMMISSION

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16 **SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY**

- 17 A. The Navajo Nation Council is the governing body of the Navajo Nation. 2 N.N.C.
18 § 102 (A).
19 B. A proposed resolution requiring final action by the Navajo Nation Council shall be
20 assigned to the Naabik'iyáti' Committee. 2 N.N.C. §164(A)(9).

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22 **SECTION TWO. FINDINGS**

- 23 A. The Navajo Nation Code provides, “[t]he President of the Navajo Nation shall
24 employ an Executive Director of the [Navajo Telecommunication Regulatory]
25 Commission who shall serve at the pleasure of the President of the Navajo Nation and
26 be subject to confirmation by the Government Services Committee of the Navajo
27 Nation Council.” 2 N.N.C. §3455.
28 B. References in the Navajo Nation Code to the Government Services Committee, “shall
29 mean the Naabik'iyáti' Committee, unless the amendments enacted herein or the
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1 context of previous law indicates otherwise.” Council Resolution CO-45-12, Section
2 5.

3 C. The Navajo Nation President appoints Christopher Becenti as the Executive Director
4 of the Navajo Nation Telecommunication Regulatory Commission. Mr. Becenti’s
5 appointment letter and resume are attached as **Exhibit A**.

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7 **SECTION THREE. CONFIRMATION OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE**
8 **NAVAJO NATION TELECOMMUNICATION REGULATORY COMMISSION**

9 The Navajo Nation Council confirms the Navajo Nation President’s appointment of
10 Christopher Becenti as the Executive Director of the Navajo Nation Telecommunication
11 Regulatory Commission.

THE NAVAJO NATION

JONATHAN NEZ | PRESIDENT MYRON LIZER | VICE PRESIDENT



January 15, 2019

Christopher Becenti
P.O. Box:
Gallup, New Mexico 87305

RE: Appointment as Executive Director for the Navajo Nation Telecommunication Regulatory Commission

Dear Mr. Becenti,

The Nez-Lizer Administration was elected on a mandate of change for the Navajo Nation. This change involves appointing qualified, motivated and experienced individuals who will move the Navajo Nation forward by "Working Together" to serve the Navajo people. This letter shall serve as a formal notification to your appointment as Executive Director for the Navajo Nation Telecommunication Regulatory Commission (NNTRC). This appointment will take effect on January 24, 2019 at 8:00AM. Please note that this position is subject to confirmation by the Navajo Nation Council.

Your duties as director are outlined at 2NNC §3455. You shall be responsible for the administration and management of the Telecommunication Regulatory Commission Office and supervision of all applicable personnel. This includes ensuring compliance with all applicable Navajo Nation laws and policies.

Your salary will be that of the current budgeted salary for the position. Throughout this appointment, you will report to the Chief of Staff under the Office of the President and Vice President. Again, we thank you for your willingness to serve the Navajo people. Ahe'hee.

Handwritten signature of Jonathan Nez in black ink.

Jonathan Nez, President
THE NAVAJO NATION

Handwritten signature of Myron Lizer in black ink.

Myron Lizer, Vice President
THE NAVAJO NATION

Christopher Becenti

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Objective

Driven individual with over fifteen-years of experience in the telecommunication industry seeking to apply my experience and wealth of knowledge in a new role of Executive Director of the Navajo Nation Telecommunication Regulatory Commission.

Work Experience

AT&T-Mobility

Retail Store Manager I

May 16, 2017 - Current
815 N US HWY 491
Gallup, New Mexico
Supervisor: Dominic Sedillo
Contact Telephone: (505) 722-5116

Responsibilities: Drive and motivate a team to meet sales objectives by coaching Retail Sales Consultants according to the DIRECT coaching model. Directly supervise 8 employees. Manage all compliance and back office paper work to upkeep store to AT&T standards. I also manage all aspects associated with employee scheduling, reporting compliance with COU and demo devices with Demo Device Tracker. Handle all escalating customer complaints that require the attention of management. Local Liaison for FirstNet for the surrounding areas within the store. Provide mentorship for employees with onsite training.

AT&T-Mobility

Assistant Manager

April 29, 2014 – May 15, 2017
815 N US HWY 491
Gallup, New Mexico
Supervisor: Christina Calvin
Contact Telephone: (505) 722-5116

Responsibilities: Drive and motivate to meet sales objectives by coaching Retail Sales Consultants according to the DIRECT coaching model. Manage all compliance and back office paper work to upkeep store to AT&T standards. I also manage all aspects associated with employee scheduling, reporting compliance with COU and demo devices with Demo Device Tracker. Handle all escalating customer complaints that require the attention of management.

Retail Sales Consultant

Mar 30, 2007-April 28, 2014
815 N US HWY 491
Gallup, New Mexico
Supervisor: Christina Calvin
Contact Telephone: (505) 722-5116

Responsibilities: Promote all products and services offered by AT&T. Exceed all sales objectives. Handle all administrative aspects of the job including: completing customer contracts and warranties, pulling products from inventory, accepting customer payments and filing the completed orders. Maintain strong knowledge of all company policies, products, accessories, pricing plans, promotions, and service features. Maintain knowledge of competitive offers and provide critical market feedback to the Store Manager regarding local competition and product/service needs. Handle service inquiries from customers. Provide efficient, courteous customer service and assist in all aspects of product offerings and services.

Southwest Mobile - Data Consultant

Oct 1, 2005 - Feb 10, 2006
2420 East Highway 66
Gallup, New Mexico
Contact Name: Tony Lopez
Contact Telephone: (505) 722-7800

Responsibilities: Responsible for upgrading customer cell phone software (Firmware). Also managed, updated and maintained company retail hardware such as Point of Sale (POS) systems including printers and wireless/wired networks.

U.S. Forestry, Firemon Crew member

Apr 1, 2005 - Sep 30, 2005
Fort Defiance, Arizona
Contact Name: Dennis Teller
Contact Telephone: 928-729-7367

Responsibilities: Research and deployment for prescribed fires. Assured that all species were inventoried in an area prior to being treated with prescribed burns to ensure species do return after a successful burn. As part of preparing a prescribed burn, the team was responsible for identifying safety zones, roads, and perimeters of the burn site via GPS. The Team also located and measured random plots sites that were assigned from our Firemon leader. Became proficient with the ICS(Incident Command System) during fire season.

Education

Tohatchi High School
Tohatchi, New Mexico

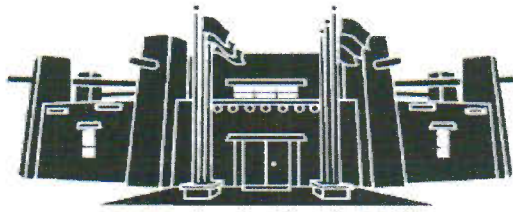
High School Diploma
Graduation Date: May 28, 2004

Achievements and Recognition

Nominated for the Best of the Best in the West award with AT&T.
Completed Retail Leadership Series when promoted to Assistant Manager.
Awarded MVP award from AT&T for exceeding company set goals and being a well-rounded employee while providing excellent customer service.
Received sales awards from Alltel(before AT&T merger) exceeding company set goals in multiple aspects for the company.

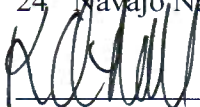
References

Christopher Bahe –Navajo Nation (Executive Staff Assistant)
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Bronston Chee - Tsehootsooi Medical Center(Nutrition Health Technician)
Violet Eberth - AT&T Co-worker (Assistant Manager)



MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Nelson BeGaye
24th Navajo Nation Council

FROM: 
Kristen Lowell, Principal Attorney
Office of Legislative Counsel

DATE: February 4, 2019

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COMMISSION**

As requested, I have prepared the above-referenced proposed resolution and associated legislative summary sheet pursuant to your request for legislative drafting. Based on existing law and review of documents submitted, the resolution as drafted is legally sufficient. As with any action of government however, it can be subject to review by the courts in the event of proper challenge.

Please ensure that this particular resolution request is precisely what you want. You are encouraged to review the proposed resolution to ensure that it is drafted to your satisfaction.

The Office of Legislative Counsel confirms the appropriate standing committee(s) based on the standing committees powers outlined in 2 N.N.C. §§301, 401, 501, 601 and 701. Nevertheless, "the Speaker of the Navajo Nation Council shall introduce [the proposed resolution] into the legislative process by assigning it to the respective oversight committee(s) of the Navajo Nation Council having authority over the matters for proper consideration." 2 N.N.C. §164(A)(5).

If the proposed resolution is unacceptable to you, please contact me at the Office of Legislative Counsel and advise me of the changes you would like made to the proposed resolution.