

**Petition under CPLR Art. 4 and 22 NYCRR § 202.71 for  
Recognition of Tribal Court Judgment, Decree or Order**

Instructions:

YOU are the Petitioner.

Complete the **Verified Petition** by filling in the blank spaces printed in bold in accordance with the directions given. Prepare and attach your **Exhibits**: these are copies of the indicated documents, including a **certified copy of the Tribal Court Judgment** (order or decree) and mark them as Exhibits.

Complete the **Verification** and sign your name, in the presence of a Notary Public. The Notary Public will affix his or her signature and stamp.

**File** the Verified Petition with your Exhibits with the County Clerk and obtain an Index Number and pay the applicable Fee to the County Clerk.

Prepare in advance a **Notice of Petition** to be **served** with the Petition on your adversary (the respondent), using the same caption as below.

- The Notice of Petition should state that you are seeking recognition of a tribal court judgment (order or decree) under the common law principles of comity and 22 NYCRR § 202.71
- The Notice of Petition should also state the time and date on which the motion will be returnable at the court, the title and address of the Supreme Court where you will be filing the motion and the papers which you are submitting in support of the motion (your Verified Petition and its Exhibits).

**SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK**

**COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_**

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**VERIFIED  
PETITION**

In the Matter of the Application of

Index No.

\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
**[ Name (s) ]** Petitioner (s)

vs

\_\_\_\_\_  
**[ Name (s) ]** Respondent(s)

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**VERIFIED PETITION FOR RECOGNITION OF TRIBAL COURT JUDGMENT,  
DECREE OR ORDER**

TO THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_ :

Petitioner \_\_\_\_\_ **[ Name ]** respectfully says and submits to this Court the following:

1) Your petitioner (s) resides at \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ **[ Address ]**.

2) The respondent (s) is/are **[Identify the respondent (s)]**  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ **[Name and Address]**.

3) That the petitioner moves for Recognition of a tribal court judgment, decree or order pursuant to CPLR Art. 4 and 22 NYCRR § 202.71. That the tribal judgment attached to this Petition for Recognition is an authenticated copy of the judgment, decree or order issued by the tribal court of the  
\_\_\_\_\_  
**[ Name of nation, tribe or band ]** which is recognized by the State of New York or by the United States. To the best of my knowledge and belief, the judgment, decree or order is Final and there is no appeal pending regarding said judgment.

4) To the best of my knowledge and belief, the tribal judgment, decree, or order attached remains valid, and no subsequent orders vacating, modifying or reversing said judgment has been entered in the jurisdiction which rendered said judgment.

5) That the tribal court, \_\_\_\_\_ [Name of nation or tribal court] had personal jurisdiction over the parties. [Attach the nation or tribal court rules pertaining to personal jurisdiction which can be found on the following links:

Onieda Nation <http://theoneidanation.com/codesandordinances/>  
St. Regis Mohawk [www.srmt-nsn.gov/government/tribal\\_court/](http://www.srmt-nsn.gov/government/tribal_court/)  
Seneca Nations <https://sni.org/government/peacemakers-court/>

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6) That the \_\_\_\_\_ [Name of nation or tribal court] judicial system provided due process to the parties which is compatible with the procedures and requirements of the State of New York. [Attach the nation or tribal court rules regarding due process which can be found at the following links:

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**WHEREFORE**, your deponent respectfully requests that this Court recognize the judgment, decree or order of the \_\_\_\_\_ [Name of nation or tribal court] and enter it as a Judgment of the Supreme Court of the State of New York.

DATED: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

Name, Address and Phone Number

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**VERIFICATION**

STATE OF NEW YORK            )  
  ) ss.:  
COUNTY OF                    )

\_\_\_\_\_, being duly sworn, deposes and says: I am the Petitioner in this matter. I have read the foregoing petition and know the contents thereof. The same are true to my knowledge, except as to matters therein stated to be alleged on information and belief and as to those matters I believe them to be true.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print name

NOTARY PUBLIC:

On \_\_\_\_\_ before me personally came to me the Petitioner know to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing Petition. Such person duly swore to such instrument before me and duly acknowledged that he/she executed the Petition.

SS:  
\_\_\_\_\_

Notary Public  
Commission Expires:  
(Affix Notary Stamp or Seal)