



POARCH BAND OF CREEK INDIANS

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BUFORD L. ROLIN RE-ELECTED TRIBAL CHAIRMAN

POARCH BAND OF CREEK INDIANS RESERVATION, POARCH, ALABAMA – June 13, 2008 – A swearing in ceremony was held during a Tribal Council meeting June 12, 2008 for the Tribal Council candidates who were elected into office Saturday, June 7, 2008. Buford L. Rolin, Arthur Mothershed, and Garvis Sells were sworn into office by Judge Ben Brown.

Buford L. Rolin was re-elected as Tribal Chairman for the Poarch Band of Creek Indians during the same meeting. This will be Mr. Rolin's second term as Tribal Chairman for the tribe. "I want to thank everyone for their support. I look forward to serving as your Chairman for another term." Rolin said. He has served on the Tribal Council for more than forty years and has also held the positions of Secretary and Vice Chairman during his tenure on the Tribal Council.

Arthur Mothershed was re-elected to his second term as Treasurer for the Tribe. Mr. Mothershed holds a master's degree in Business Administration from the University of Alabama and a bachelor's degree from Faulkner University. "I appreciate everyone's support and will continue to do my best during my second term as your Treasurer," said Mothershed. He is currently the Chief Financial Officer of Creek Indian Enterprises, a business enterprise of the Poarch Band of Creek Indians.

Garvis Sells will be serving his first term as a councilmember. "First I want to thank God. I also want to thank my family, friends, and those who voted for me." said Sells. "I'm here for my people and to unite us together again." In addition to serving on the tribal council, Garvis is an active member and Vice Chairman of the Tribal Employment Rights Office (TERO), which promotes tribal member employment and advancement.

Mr. Sells replaces long time Tribal Council Member Eddie L. Tullis, who has served the tribe for 44 years. Mr. Tullis was asked by Chairman Rolin for any thoughts he'd like to share with the Tribal Council. Tullis stated, "I have had many great opportunities to be involved and have had the privilege and pleasure of sitting at this table with the sons, grandsons, and great grandsons of Calvin McGhee, and we are all here for one purpose 'we are here to serve the people'. I don't intend to stop that, I intend to continue. Remember while you are at this table you have the opportunity to do what very few people have and that is to affect the quality of life of a lot of people."

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