

SAMPLE LETTER I: NOTICE OF INTENT TO PETITION FOR STATE
RECOGNITION

Date:

Address to: North Carolina Commission of Indian Affairs
1317 Mail Service Center Raleigh, NC 27699-1317

Re: Notice of Intent to Petition for State Recognition

Dear: Director of State Recognition,

The [Name of Petitioning Group] submits this letter as its Notice of Intent to submit a documented petition for State recognition as an Indian Tribe under the administrative rules in the North Carolina Administrative Code at Title 1, Chapter 15, Section .0200, "Legal Recognition of American Indian Group."

The historic ancestors of the [Name of Petitioning Group] occupied the area of _____, or counties of _____, in North Carolina. The [Name of Petitioning Group] was originally known as _____. We have been acknowledged by the [Governing Body of the Petitioning Group] in resolutions dated _____. (If applicable, include other mention of historic origins and outside acknowledgement of identity to your group.)

Our current membership is located in _____ counties in N.C. The current Tribal enrollment is ____ members. This Notice of Intent is signed by all members of our governing body. The best contact for our Tribe is [Name], [E-mail], [Telephone #], and [Address].

Sincerely,

[_____
Signature
_____] [_____
Print Name] [_____
Title]

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Print Name] [_____
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