

ONTARIO REGIONAL CHIEF OATH OF OFFICE

I, _____, duly elected by the Chiefs of the First Nations in Ontario on this () day of (month) of (year), recognize, accept, and solemnly affirm:

- That any authority the Ontario Regional Chief may have derives exclusively and entirely from authority granted from time to time by the Chiefs in Assembly, and,
- That as a leader who exercises mandates, authority, responsibilities and duties delegated by the Chiefs in Assembly, the Ontario Regional Chief holds a sacred political trust to comply in every respect with the direction given by the Chiefs in Assembly, and,
- That this Oath of Office applies to the Ontario Regional Chief while carrying out their Ontario Regional Chief duties on behalf of Chiefs of Ontario.

And commit:

1. To faithfully, honestly and consistently perform the duties of my office to the best of my judgment and ability;
2. To discharge my duties and responsibilities in a manner becoming my position;
3. To uphold the Charter, policies and by-laws of the Chiefs of Ontario;
4. To uphold and to implement the direction given by the Chiefs in Assembly, regardless of my own personal views;
5. To work collaboratively with the Leadership Council in implementing the direction provided by the Chiefs in Assembly;
6. To honour and support the inherent rights, customary laws, sovereignty and authority of all First Nations in Ontario;
7. To protect and support the exercise of the Treaty rights of all First Nations in Ontario;
8. To protect and promote the fundamental human rights of all First Nations people in Ontario;
9. To discharge my duties in a manner that promotes the interests, Aboriginal and Treaty, and other rights of all First Nations in every region of Ontario;
10. To use information obtained on the job for the intended purpose only. I will give out official or confidential information only when the release of such information will support, promote and further the goals and aspirations of all First Nations in Ontario;
11. To immediately declare any personal conflict of interest that may come to my attention; and,
12. To comply with any decision that may result from a disciplinary process if it is concluded that I have breached this Oath of Office.