

# *Stockbridge-Munsee Community*

## **Descendant Verification Letter Request**

### **REQUIREMENTS**

Descendant Verification Letters are for individuals who are not eligible for enrollment with the Stockbridge-Munsee Community "Tribe". To be recognized as a Descendant you must provide proof of descent from an enrolled member. Descendant Verification Letters may be used for assistance at Indian Health Service facilities.

#### **ELIGIBILITY:**

- **Must descend from a Stockbridge-Munsee Enrolled Member**, to be a descendant with the Stockbridge-Munsee Community "Tribe".
- **"Burden of Proof"** lies on the applicant, parent, sponsor or legal guardian to provide documentation to prove ancestry.

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION:**

- Descendant Verification Letter Requests shall be filed with the Land & Enrollment Department.

#### **REQUIREMENTS:**

##### **State Certified Birth Certificate**

- a. Submit an original, State Certified Birth Certificate.
  - Birth certificates shall remain on file, and will not be returned.
- b. Birth certificates must identify parent(s)/grandparent(s) from which you are claiming your ancestry.
  - To obtain Vital Records information online visit: <http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/w2w.htm>
  - If father/grandfather is not on the birth certificate, submit: court order of paternity or DNA results.
  - Adoptees, must submit birth certificates of biological & adoptive parents.
    - Adoption information may affect eligibility for descendancy.
    - Wisconsin Adoptions contact: Wisconsin Adoption Search Program at (608) 266-7163.
    - Other State Adoptions contact the State Vital Records Office in the state where the adoption took place.

##### **Application Fee**

- a. Submit payment of: \$20.00
- b. DO NOT mail cash.
- c. Make check or money order payable to: Stockbridge-Munsee Community
- d. Fee is non-refundable.

#### **CONTACT INFORMATION**

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