

LAW OFFICE OF  
**WATTS & SUMMERS**  
WAGONER, OKLAHOMA

May 2, 1918.

To the Registrar of the Carlisle Indian School,  
Carlisle, Pennsylvania.....

Dear Sir:

We enclose herewithan affidavit which has been agreed to be admitted as your deposition in a lawsuit at this place on which the date Ellis Childers finally left your school is a material issue. Childers testifies that he left your school about May or June of the year 1884, and never thereafter re-entered same and we are sure that this is correct. We are enclosing you an affidavit with the date blank as to his first matriculation and showing that he left in the year 1884. We would be obliged to you to consult your records and fill in the blanks in the enclosed affidavit and return same to us with statement of whatever charges or fees maybe due for your investigation. We would be obliged to you to do this as immediately as possible as the case stands for trial at a very early date.

Yours very truly,

*Watts & Summers*

EAS/GP

*If the enclosed affidavit fails in any material way to show the facts, please re-write it so that it will exactly state same -*

*W.T.S.*

State of Pennsylvania, )  
County of Cambridge ) ss.

John Francis being duly sworn says, that he is the Superintendent of the Indian School established by the United State Government at Carlisle, Pennsylvania, commonly referred to as the Carlisle Indian School, and as such officer of said school the person having the custody and control of its records showing the enrollment and attendance of pupils since same has been established.

The affiant further states that the records of said school shows that Ellis Childers, a Creek Indian from the <sup>Tullohoe Mission</sup> ~~town of Coweta~~ ~~in the Indian Territory and which is now part of the State of Alabama,~~ was first enrolled as a student at said school in the year of Jan. 22, 1881, and finally left said school on the 17th day of June, 1884, and never thereafter matriculated or re-entered said school as a student.

Subscribed and sworn to before me by \_\_\_\_\_  
this the \_\_\_\_\_ day of May, 1918.

My commission expires \_\_\_\_\_ Notary Public.





DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

UNITED STATES INDIAN SCHOOL

CARLISLE, PA.

State of Pennsylvania )  
                                  ) ss  
County of Cumberland )

John Francis, Jr. being duly sworn says, that he is the Superintendent of the Indian School established by the United States Government at Carlisle, Pennsylvania, commonly referred to as the Carlisle Indian School, and as such officer of said school the person having the custody and control of its records showing the enrolment and attendance of pupils since same has been established.

The affiant further states that the records of said school show that Ellis Childers, a Creek Indian from the Tullahasse Mission Agency, Indian Territory, was first enrolled as a student at said school on the 22nd day of January, 1881 and finally left the school on the 17th day of June, 1884, and never thereafter matriculated or re-entered said school as a student.

Signed, John Francis, Jr.

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Subscribed and sworn to before me by John Francis, Jr.

\_\_\_\_\_ this 7th day of May, 1918.

Signed, W. Frank Hartzell

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~~Notary Public~~  
Clerk of Courts

My commission expires 1920

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RESEARCH THROUGHOUT COMPLEX

May 7, 1918.

Watts and Summers  
Wagener, Oklahoma

Sirs:-

I enclose herewith the affidavit relative to the time during which Ellis Childers, a Creek Indian, was a pupil of this school, properly signed and executed.

I also enclose the bill for taking oath which I have paid from my own personal funds. There were no other expenses.

Very truly yours

Superintendent.

NRD

Inclosures.

RECORDER AND CLERK'S OFFICE

Carlisle, Penna., *May 7* ..... 191 *8*

*Mr. John Francis Jr.*

To W. FRANK HARTZELL, Recorder, Etc., Dr.

GRANTOR

GRANTEE

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*No taking Oath of  
John Francis Jr.*

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*Received Payment  
W. Frank Hartzell*



LAW OFFICE OF  
**WATTS & SUMMERS**  
WAGONER, OKLAHOMA

Wagoner, Oklahoma, May 10th, 1918.

Mr. John Francis,

Carlisle, Pa.

Dear Sir,

I enclose you money order as per statement.  
Please accept our thanks for both your promptness and  
courtesy.

Very truly,



EAS.M

Ellis Childers





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## CREEKS WILL FIGHT

The Honorable Commissioner of Indian Affairs is making a determined fight against the pernicious influence of whiskey among the Indians. His stand has been so fearless in the matter that the press of the country has highly commended him and in many instances used his arguments and views for their own communities. What has undoubtedly pleased the Commissioner more than this, is the lining up with him in the fight of the Indians themselves.

The thinking Indian has rallied to the banner and we give below an extract from the official record of the recent Extra-Ordinary Session of the National Council of the Creek Nation, convened by authority of an act of Congress, which is one of many signs that the Indian appreciates the seriousness of the efforts now being made to give him a chance.

### Resolution

Whereas; The present greatest foe, threatening the health, the wealth, the moral and social standing of the Indian race, is the Demon drink which operates upon every fiber of his being, the effect of which is to destroy his intellect, dethrone his reason, waste his estate, and in the end consign him to a pauper's grave; and

Whereas, as members of the Creek National Council, many of us represent, in our humble capacity, the places made vacant by the deaths of our ancestors; considered then, as we consider them now, honorable and high positions of great trust, entrusted by the masses of one of the greatest Tribes of Indians of all history; and

Whereas, we realize these things and further realize the splendid effort the Honorable Cato Sells, as Commissioner of Indian Affairs is making to prevent the sale or other disposition of intoxicants among us and desiring to help him in his fight, and to otherwise set an example for our children to follow;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED AND ENACTED:

*Section one.* That it shall be unlawful for any member of either House of the Creek National Council to use, in any form, any kind of spirituous, intoxicating, fermented or malt liquors, wines or other beverages;

*Section two.* Any member of the Creek National Council who shall have been found guilty by a majority vote of the House of which he is a member, of having violated Section One (1) of this act, shall thereby forfeit his office, and thereupon his successor shall be appointed by the Principal Chief from the two? represented by such member.

*Section Three.* This act to become effective from and after its passage by the Council and approval by the Principal Chief.

Passed September 3rd, 1914

*E. B. Childers*  
E. B. CHILDERS,  
Speaker of the House Warriors

MILDRED CHILDERS, Clerk.

Concurred in on September 3rd. 1914

JAMES SMITH.

President of the House of Kings

SAM GRAYSON. Clerk.

Approved September 3rd. 1914.

MOTY TIGER,  
Principal Chief



