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MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

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D. BELL, MINORS AND  
TAMMY BELL, PETITIONER

CAUSE NO. SC 2009-04

ORDER GRANTING WRIT OF MANDAMUS

This matter came before this Court on July 30, 2009 on a the Petition for Writ of Mandamus filed by Tammy Bell. This petition stems from a Youth Court ruling involving the placement of the minor children of Ms. Bell after her arrest for intoxication. Ms. Bell complains that the children should have been returned to her custody rather than remaining in Child Services placement care.

After considering the facts as presented in the Petition, but without the benefit of a written Order of the lower Court, this Court does hereby grant the Writ of Mandamus.

The Youth Court Judge shall immediately enter the appropriate Order placing the custody of the children with their mother, pending an adjudicatory hearing.

**SO ORDERED AND ADJUDGED**, this the 4<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2009, nunc pro tunc, as of July 30, 2009

*Chief Justice Hilda F. Nickey*  
CHIEF JUSTICE HILDA F. NICKEY

AGREED VIA TELEPHONE BY  
JUSTICES PIPESTEM AND JONES



**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**


I do hereby certify that I have this, the 4<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2009 caused to be forwarded via U.S. mail, a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing document to the below listed counsel of record.

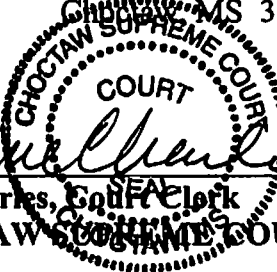
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