

Whereas the Brothertown Nation of Indians (now Citizens) of the State of Wisconsin, Consider that they have a Just and equitable claim against the Government of the United States, of \$30,000, more or less, And whereas they failed at the last session of Congress, to obtain the same, And whereas said Nation in public town meeting assembled on the seventh day of January A.D. 1854, did authorize their National Standing Committee to let out the obtaining of said Claim by the Job, to some person or persons, and said person or persons to have a percentage of the amount obtained not to exceed one fifth,

Now it is hereby agreed ~~between~~ Between the aforesaid National Committee, of the first part, <sup>in behalf of said Nation</sup> and Latan Dick, + O.D. Fowler + L. S. Fowler of the second part, as follows, that is to say, The said Parties of the second part hereby grant bargain promise and agree, to and with the said party of the first part, that they the said party of the second part will from this time forward at their own proper expense furnish all the necessary funds, and be at all the necessary expense whatever in order to prosecute and obtain the aforesaid claim, and that they will faithfully prosecute said claim with all due diligence as long as there shall be any hope or prospect of obtaining the same,

And the said party of the first part hereby agree to and with the said party of the second part as follows, if the said claim shall be obtained during the present session of Congress, then the said party of the second part, shall have a percentage of one Sixth of the amt obtained, But if said claim shall not be obtained during the present session of Congress, then the said party of the

second part are to have one Fifth of the sum obtained whenever it shall be obtained, and the said parties of the second part hereby further grant bargain promise and agree to and with the said party of the first part, that they the party of the second part in case they should fail of ever obtaining any thing from the United States Government as such claim, they will be at the total loss of whatever amt of money they may have expended, as well as the loss of any time or other expenses they may have incurred while prosecuting the said claim,

And for the faithful performance of all and singular the aforesaid premises, the said parties of the first part, and the said parties of the second part, hereby mutually bind each of their heirs executors administrators and assigns, Done at Manchester Calumet County Wisconsin on this 31<sup>th</sup> day of March A.D. 1854, Witness our hands and seals,

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| William Dick    |  |                                            |
| J. C. Hammer    |  | National<br>Committee<br>of the first part |
| Rowland Johnson |  |                                            |
| Hezekiah Fowler |  |                                            |
| James, Simons   |  |                                            |

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| Laten Dick        |  |                               |
| Orsamus O. Fowler |  | Parties of the<br>second part |
| S. S. Fowler      |  |                               |