



## **Indigenous Membership or Citizenship Documentation Guidelines**

As part of the IPAC Awards eligibility process, shortlisted nominees may be asked to provide documentation confirming Indigenous membership or citizenship.

The following documents are accepted examples. This list is not intended to exclude individuals whose documentation may differ.

### **First Nations**

One or more of the following documents may be provided:

- Certificate of Indian Status issued by the Government of Canada; or
- Written confirmation of membership or citizenship from a First Nation recognized by the Government of Canada; or
- Written confirmation of membership or citizenship with a federally recognized Tribal Nation or Tribal Authority in Canada or the United States.

### **Inuit**

Written confirmation of Inuit enrolment or a copy of an enrolment or beneficiary card issued by a recognized Inuit treaty organization or government, including:

- Inuvialuit Regional Corporation (Inuvialuit Final Agreement)
- Nunavut Tunngavik Incorporated (Nunavut Agreement)
- Makivik Corporation (James Bay and Northern Quebec Agreement; Nunavik Inuit Land Claims Agreement)
- Nunatsiavut Government (Labrador Inuit Land Claims Agreement)

### **Métis**

Written confirmation of Métis citizenship or membership, or a Métis citizenship or membership card issued by a recognized Métis government, including:

- Métis Nation of Ontario\*
- Manitoba Métis Federation
- Métis Nation – Saskatchewan
- Métis Nation of Alberta
- Métis Settlements of Alberta
- Métis Nation of British Columbia



\*Documents issued by the Métis Nation of Ontario on or before October 22, 2017 must be accompanied by written confirmation that current citizenship requirements are met.

### **Alternative Documentation**

If a nominee does not have one of the documents listed above, they may submit:

- A brief statement (maximum 250 words), and
- Any relevant supporting documentation.

This information will be reviewed confidentially by IPAC leadership or their designated knowledgeable reviewers to determine eligibility based on demonstrated connection to, and recognition by, the Indigenous nation with which membership or citizenship is asserted.

### **Confidentiality**

All documentation is handled confidentially and used solely for eligibility confirmation as part of the IPAC Awards process.