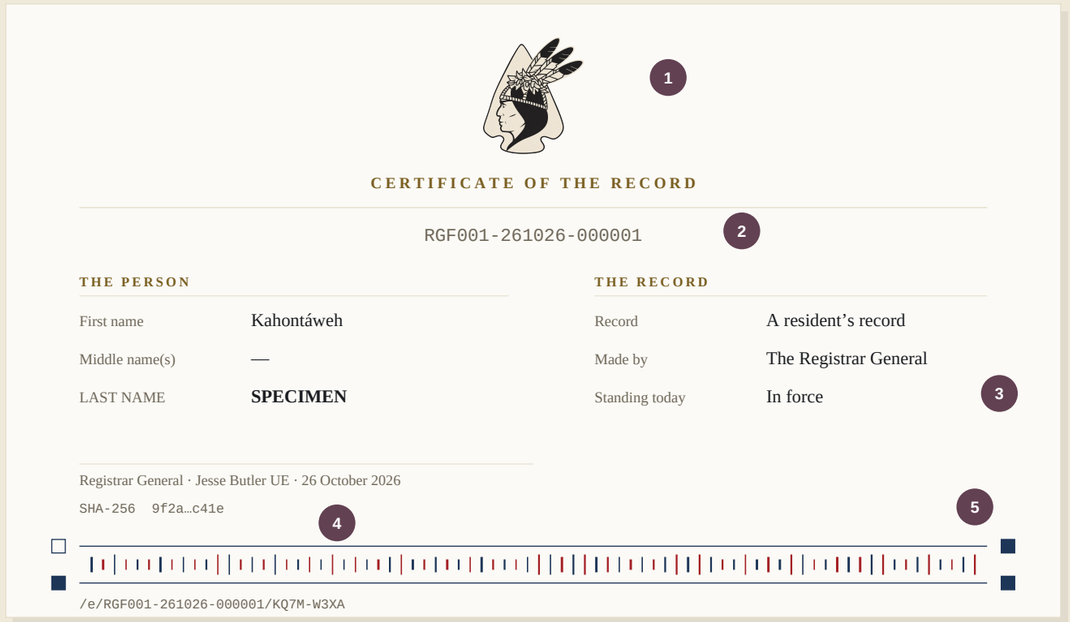
MOHAWK NATION OF GRAND RIVER

How to Check a Document of the Nation

The proof travels with the paper: check it yourself, in a minute, without asking the Nation.

For a bank, a school, a border, a police service or a court · From Book XXVI of the National Books, The Verifier’s Handbook

THE DOCUMENT, PART BY PART



1. The Seal: the Nation’s emblem, from its master artwork, never redrawn. Only the Secretariat applies it to an official act.
2. The Record Code: one identifier in three blocks, in a face where a 0 is never an O.
3. The standing today: in force, expired, suspended or revoked. Shown by /verify/, never by the paper alone.
4. The fingerprint: a SHA-256 hash of the content. Change one letter and it changes completely.
5. The Edge Mark: a rail of notches in two inks, the first party’s signature and the Registry’s, with its check address beneath.

THE RECORD CODE

RGF001-261026-000001

FAMILY	YYMMDD	NNNNNN
the kind of record	the day it was made	its number that day

One scheme for everything: every record of the Nation has one Record Code and no other number. A code in any other shape is not the Nation’s.

THE FOUR STANDINGS

- **In force**
- **Expired**
- **Suspended**
- **Revoked**

Only /verify/ tells you the standing. A credential revoked an hour ago shows as revoked now. The paper cannot know.

A Nation document is never proven by its look alone. Paper can be copied; its standing and its signatures cannot.

THREE WAYS TO CHECK, FROM THE QUICKEST TO THE MOST THOROUGH

1 By its Record Code

`/verify/`

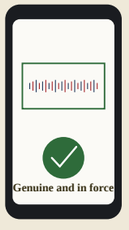
- Type the code exactly as printed.
- Read what the document is, and its standing today.
- Compare the name and details with the paper.

Low reliance: a form, a letter

2 By its Edge Mark

`/edge-scan/, on any phone`

- Hold the phone over the rail of notches.
- It reads them, fetches the signatures, and checks each with the signer’s own key.
- Green tick: genuine and in force. Red cross: altered or not genuine.



Ordinary reliance: an ID, a certificate

3 By its Ledger entry

`/ledger/, anchored in Bitcoin`

- Search the Ledger by the code.
- Read each step in the document’s life, with its fingerprint.
- Check the day’s anchor with any OpenTimestamps tool.

High reliance: court, border, money

The specimen is a specimen: the name, the code and the marks are drawn for the poster. The red flags, the words used and how the Nation’s checks compare are in The Verifier’s Handbook, Book XXVI; the Edge Mark itself is Book XXVIII.

Sources: The Verifier’s Handbook (Book XXVI), The Edge Mark (Book XXVIII) and Signing, Keys and the Ledger (Book XXVII) of the National Books; the Register’s check page, scanner and Ledger at mohawkuniversity.org/Register; the Edge Marks module of the Register suite; OpenTimestamps (opentimestamps.org); ICAO Doc 9303 and the ICAO Public Key Directory, for the comparison.

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