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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Chief Legislative Counsel resigns

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WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. — The Office of the Speaker is announcing with regret and much professional respect, the resignation of Raymond C. Etcitty, Chief Legislative Counsel for the Legislative Branch of the Navajo Nation.

Etcitty voluntarily resigned his position on Friday, March 21.

In his resignation letter, Etcitty stated "I have enjoyed the challenges presented to me by the Office of the Speaker, the Navajo Nation Council, and all the Navajo Nation Council Delegates."

"Thank you for the opportunities you have provided me during my time with the Navajo Nation Council," he added.

Etcitty's five-year tenure with the Office of the Legislative Counsel began on April 2003, when he was hired as the Chief Legislative Counsel to replace Herb Yazzie.

"Ray Etcitty has served the nation well," Speaker Lawrence T. Morgan said. "Etcitty served the Legislative Branch honorably and with the highest integrity for several years. We know that he will continue to serve the Navajo people with respect."

Speaker Morgan (Iyanbito/Pinedale) wishes all the best to Etcitty and is happy to know that he will continue helping the Navajo Nation with his expertise.

The Intergovernmental Relations Committee of the 21st Navajo Nation Council confirmed Frank Seanez as the interim Chief Legislative Counsel today, March 25 by a vote of 8-0.

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