



Principal Chief Chuck Hoskin, Jr. was elected to serve as the next Chief of the country's largest tribal nation on June 1, 2019. He received 57 percent of the vote.

Prior to being elected Chief, Hoskin served as the Cherokee Nation Secretary of State. He was appointed to the cabinet position by Principal Chief Bill John Baker and unanimously confirmed by the Cherokee Nation Tribal Council in 2013 and reconfirmed unanimously in March of 2016.

As Secretary of State, Hoskin worked side-by-side with Principal Chief Bill John Baker and Deputy Chief S. Joe Crittenden to secure funding from the federal government to fund a billion-dollar joint venture investment in better health care for all Cherokees. He has also served as the Baker administration's strongest advocate on sovereignty protection, investments in education, increased minimum wage,

expanded maternity leave, the creation of family leave for employees who foster Cherokee children, and preservation of Cherokee language and culture.

He formerly served as a member of the Council of the Cherokee Nation, representing District 11 for six years and served his final two years as Deputy Speaker. On the council, he worked with his fellow council members and the Baker Administration to start building homes for Cherokees again, which had not been done in more than a decade, increased education funding and sponsored legislation to expand health care service through casino dollars.

Hoskin has testified at the United Nations on behalf of the Cherokee Nation and serves on multiple boards and commissions including the United States Health and Human Services Secretary's Tribal Advisory Committee.

Hoskin is a graduate of Vinita High School, the University of Oklahoma and the University of Oklahoma College of Law. He is a member of the Cherokee Nation and Oklahoma Bar Associations. Hoskin resides in his hometown of Vinita, OK, with his wife, January. They have two children, Triston and Jasmine.