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- Indian tribal trust funds mismanagement
- Revisiting the issue of Indian civil rights and tribal sovereignty
- Examining the Duwamish Tribe and other recognition cases
- Discussion of the Indian Country under the Obama administration
- Juvenile justice in Indian country
- Tax planning for tribal construction
- And the ethics of litigation in tribal court involving pro se litigants

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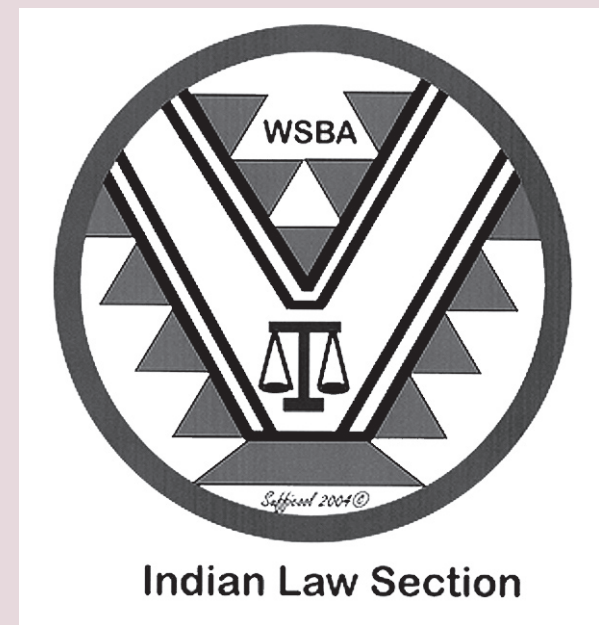
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MORNING

8:00 a.m.

Check-in • Walk-in Registration • Distribution of Coursebooks • Coffee and Pastry Service

9:00 a.m.

Welcome and Introduction by Program Chairs and Host

Millie Kennedy — Chair, WSBA Indian Law Section, Seattle

Chori Folkman — University of Washington School of Law Tribal Court Public Defense Clinic/Tulalip Tribes, Seattle

Joanna Plichta Boisen — Pro Bono Counsel, Foster Pepper PLLC, Seattle

Greg Guedel — Chair, Native American Legal Services Practice Group, Foster Pepper PLLC, Seattle

9:15 a.m.

Current Legal Events in Indian Country

Greg Guedel — Chair, Native American Legal Services Practice Group, Foster Pepper PLLC, Seattle

9:30 a.m.

Litigation Update

Highlights of significant cases affecting Indian tribes in the past 12 months.

Tom Schlosser — Morisset Schlosser & Jozwiak, Seattle

10:15 a.m.

Tribal Trust Fund Cases

An overview of the 100 pending cases against the federal government, and an introduction to a new proposal under development from tribes to the Obama Administration for a fair, expedient, and voluntary settlement of these cases.

Melody McCoy — Native American Rights Fund, Boulder, Colorado

11:00 a.m. Break

11:15 a.m.

Making Indian Civil Rights and Tribal Sovereignty Synonymous

Providing basic constitutional rights to tribal members does not, and should not, have to conflict with tribal government practices. This panel will explore recent disenrollment and banishment cases in Washington and California to find a better way forward for tribal governments to support the protections afforded their members under the Indian Civil Rights Act.

Rob Roy Smith — Ater Wynne LLP, Seattle

12:00 p.m.

Duwamish Tribe and other recognition cases

The Duwamish Struggle for Federal Recognition. Co-counsel for the Duwamish Tribe in *Duwamish v. Kempthorne* will discuss the status of the case. The panelists also will provide a legal and legislative update regarding federal recognition efforts nationwide.

Scott Wheat — Crowell Law Offices, Kirkland

Judith Shapiro — Co-counsel, Duwamish Tribe

Cecile Hanson — Chairwoman, Duwamish Tribe

12:45 p.m. Catered Lunch

Local entertainment/cultural competency

Gene Tagaban "One Crazy Raven" Inspirational Performer, Speaker, Trainer, Storyteller

AFTERNOON

1:55 p.m.

Policy issues in Indian Country with the Obama Administration

During his campaign, President Obama identified many things his administration would change, like healthcare, education, and the economy. This session will provide an update on how tribal governments and Indian people are being impacted by these large scale changes.

Diana Bob — National Congress of American Indians, Washington, D.C.

2:25 p.m. Move to break out sessions

2:30 BREAK OUT SESSIONS

A. Found Money — or How to Leverage Tax Credits in Indian Country

An increasing number of tribes have leveraged federal tax credit programs to develop affordable rental housing for tribal members. Others are evaluating the use of federal new markets tax credits to finance business ventures. We will evaluate the basis structure of these transactions and discuss the unique issues that arise when using tax credits in Indian Country.

Jeff Nave — Foster Pepper PLLC, Spokane

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B. Juvenile Justice in Indian Country

Legislation is being considered by Congress that will impact juvenile justice funding and practices on a national scale. Historically, Indian country has not been included in these programs but now tribes are advocating for inclusion. If successful, tribal governments will have greater flexibility in addressing juvenile delinquency.

Diana Bob — National Congress of American Indians, Washington, D.C.

3:15 Move to break out sessions

3:20 p.m. BREAK OUT SESSIONS

A. Tribal Rights in Education Nationally and in Your State

The historic development of tribal sovereignty over education nationally and in Washington State, and an update of current issues at the national and state level.

Melody McCoy — Native American Rights Fund, Boulder, Colorado

— OR —

B. Tribal Tax Planning for Construction and Other Projects

After *Barona v. Yee*
Learn about the tax consequences and impact of this recent Ninth Circuit case as you plan construction and other projects for your tribe or tribal client.

Christine Masse — Miller Nash, Seattle

Anthony Broadman — Williams Kastner, Seattle

4:05 p.m. Break

4:20 p.m.

The Ethics of Litigation in Tribal Court involving pro se litigants

Ethical issues related to pro se litigants in tribal court practice

Michelle Demmert — Tulalip Tribes, Ron Whitener, Chehalis Tribal Court Judge/

Director, University of Washington School of Law Tribal Court Public Defense Clinic

Tom Christie — Office of the Reservation Attorney, Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation, Colville

5:05 p.m. Adjourn

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