

**THE SOVEREIGNTY SYMPOSIUM XVIII 2005**  
**BUILDING MORE BRIDGES – POOLING OUR RESOURCES**



**JUNE 1-2, 2005**  
**THE RENAISSANCE HOTEL – COX CONVENTION CENTER**  
**OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA**

# THE SOVEREIGNTY SYMPOSIUM XVIII 2005 AGENDA

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June 1–2, 2005 at the Renaissance Hotel–Cox Convention Center, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

15 hours of CLE credit for lawyers will be awarded, including 1 hour of ethics.

NOTE: Please be aware that each state has its own rules and regulations, including the definition of “CLE”; therefore, certain programs may not receive credit in some states.

*The Sovereignty Symposium was established to provide a forum in which ideas concerning common legal issues could be exchanged in a scholarly, non-adversarial environment. The Oklahoma Supreme Court espouses no view on any of the issues, and the positions taken by the participants are not endorsed by the Oklahoma Supreme Court.*

### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1, 2005

#### Wednesday Morning (a.m. 3 CLE credits / 0 ethics included)

- 7:30 – 4:30     **REGISTRATION**
- 8:00            Complimentary Continental Breakfast
- 8:30 – 11:30    **PANEL A: LANGUAGE REVITALIZATION: MORE THAN JUST LIP SERVICE** (The panel will discuss current efforts for Native language preservation in Oklahoma as well as the importance of Tribal education departments.)  
**Moderator: Honorable Tom Colbert**, Justice, Oklahoma Supreme Court, Tulsa, OK  
**Co—Moderator: Professor Alice Anderton**, Intertribal Wordpath Society, Norman, OK  
**Margaret Mauldin** (*Muscogee/Creek*), Creek Language Instructor, University of Oklahoma, Norman, OK  
**Geneva Navarro** (*Comanche*), Teacher, Comanche Nation College and Indianoma High School, Lawton, OK  
**Lahoma Burd** (*Kickapoo*), Kickapoo Language Advocate, Harrah, OK  
**Richard Grounds** (*Yuchi/Seminole*), Director, Euchee Language Project, Sapulpa, OK  
**Gloria Sly** (*Cherokee*), Interim Director, Cultural Resource Center, Tahlequah, OK  
**Quinton Roman Nose** (*Cheyenne*), Director, Cheyenne Arapaho Education Department, Concho, OK
- 8:30 – 11:30    **PANEL B: BUILDING MORE BRIDGES** (The panel will consider the pooling of resources between the Oklahoma Department of Transportation and the Oklahoma Tribes. The panel will conclude with an open discussion with Oklahoma Department of Transportation engineers.)  
**Moderator: Honorable Chad Smith**, Principal Chief, Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, OK  
**Co—Moderator: Gary Ridley**, Director, Oklahoma Department of Transportation, Oklahoma City, OK  
**Honorable Neal McCaleb**, (*Chickasaw*), Former U.S. Assistant Secretary of the Interior and former Oklahoma Secretary of Transportation, Edmond, OK  
**Kevin McLaury**, Assistant Division Administrator, Federal Highway Administration, Oklahoma City, OK  
**Tim Gatz**, Project Management Division, Oklahoma Department of Transportation, Oklahoma City, OK
- 8:30 – 11:30    **PANEL C: SECURED TRANSACTIONS IN INDIAN COUNTRY** (The panel will address certificates of title in Indian country.)  
**Moderator: Alvin Harrell**, Professor of Law, Oklahoma City University, Oklahoma City, OK  
**John Parris**, Esq., (*Cherokee*) Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, OK  
**Fred H. Miller**, Professor of Law, University of Oklahoma College of Law, Norman, OK
- 8:30 – 10:00    **PANEL D: BUREAU OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE FUNDING**  
**Moderator: Michelle Rivard Parks**, Project Director, Northern Plains Tribal Justice Institute, University of North Dakota School of Law, Grand Forks, ND  
**Co—Moderator: Kelly Stoner**, Director, Native American Legal Resource Center, Oklahoma City University School of Law, Oklahoma City, OK
- 10:00 - 10:15    *Morning Coffee/Tea/Break*
- 10:00 – 11:30    **PANEL E: TRIBAL COURT DEVELOPMENT**  
**Moderator: Michelle Rivard Parks**, Project Director, Northern Plains Tribal Justice Institute, University of North Dakota School of Law, Grand Forks, ND

#### Wednesday Afternoon (p.m. 4 CLE credits / .5 ethics included)

- 1:15 – 2:30     **Opening Ceremony**  
Master of Ceremonies - **Honorable Rudolph Hargrave**, Justice, Oklahoma Supreme Court, Wewoka, OK  
Invocation - **Honorable Lawrence Hart** (*Cheyenne*) Traditional Cheyenne Peace Chief, Clinton, OK  
Welcome - **Honorable Brad Henry**, Governor of Oklahoma, Shawnee, OK  
Welcome - **Honorable Robert H. Henry**, Judge, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit, Oklahoma City, OK  
Welcome - **Honorable Susan Savage**, Oklahoma Secretary of State, Tulsa, OK  
Welcome - **Chief Bill Follis** (*Modoc*), Chairman, Oklahoma Indian Affairs Commission, Oklahoma City, OK  
**KEYNOTE ADDRESS - PHILIP HOGEN**, Chairman, National Indian Gaming Commission, Washington, D.C.  
Closing Prayer - **The Right Reverend William C. Wantland**, (*Seminole*) Seminole, OK
- 2:30 – 5:30     **PANEL A: MODEL TRIBAL CODE** (The panel will consider model codes.)  
**Moderator: Honorable Hardy Summers**, Justice (active-retired,) Oklahoma Supreme Court, Muskogee, OK  
**Co-Moderator: Professor Fred H. Miller**, Professor, University of Oklahoma College of Law, Norman, OK  
**Ms. Duchess Bartmess**, Esq., Oklahoma City, OK  
**John Parris**, Esq. (*Cherokee*), Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, OK  
**Sue Woodrow**, Community Affairs Managing Project Director, Helena Branch, Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis, Helena, MT  
**Tim Berg**, Esq., Phoenix, AZ

- 2:30 – 5:30 **PANEL B: CRIME IN INDIAN COUNTRY** (The panel will discuss new issues concerning crime in Indian country.)  
**Moderator: Honorable James E. Edmondson**, Justice, Oklahoma Supreme Court, Muskogee, OK  
**Co—Moderator: Honorable Robert G. McCampbell**, United States Attorney for the Western District of Oklahoma, Oklahoma City, OK  
**Kevin Washburn** (*Chickasaw*), Associate Professor of Law, University of Minnesota School of Law, Minneapolis, MN  
**Chris Chancy**, Esq. (*Seneca-Cayuga*), Associate Solicitor, Division of Indian Affairs, United States Department of the Interior, Washington, D.C.  
**Honorable Richard Lerblance** (*Muscogee/Creek*), Oklahoma State Senate, District 7, Hartshorne, OK  
**Ray Anderson** (*Comanche*), Comanche Nation Police Chief, Lawton, OK  
**Sharon Wright** (*Cherokee*), Director, Cherokee Nation Marshal Service, Tahlequah, OK  
**Arvo Mikkanen** (*Kiowa*), Assistant United States Attorney for the Western District of Oklahoma, Oklahoma City, OK
- 2:30 – 5:30 **PANEL C: IMPAIRMENT OF INDIAN RIGHTS** (The panel will discuss marginalization, destruction and subrogation of Indian rights and defenses to such actions.)  
**Co—Moderator: Honorable Sally Willett** (*Cherokee*), Administrative Law Judge, Social Security Administration, New Orleans, LA  
**Marcella Giles**, Esq., (*Muscogee/Creek*) Washington, D.C.  
**Julie Fishel**, Western Shoshone Defense Project, Crescent Valley, NV  
**Tom Nelson**, Northwest Justice Project, Seattle, WA  
**Alex Skibine** (*Osage*), Professor of Law, University of Utah School of Law, Salt Lake City, UT  
**Carrie Dann**, Western Shoshone Defense Project, Crescent Valley, NV  
**Ariel Waldman**, Esq., Wilmer Cutler Pickering Hale and Dorr, Washington, D.C.
- 2:30 – 5:30 **PANEL D: INDIAN COUNTRY LANDS** (The panel will consider the Indian country status of Oklahoma lands.)  
**Moderator: Honorable W. Keith Rapp**, Judge, Oklahoma Court of Civil Appeals, Tulsa, OK  
**Co—Moderator: Curtis Berkey**, Esq., Alexander, Berkey, Williams and Weathers, Berkeley, CA  
**Meredith Drent**, Esq., Alexander, Berkey, Williams and Weathers, Berkeley, CA  
**Gary Pitchlyn**, Esq. (*Choctaw*), Norman, OK
- PANEL E: INTERNATIONAL LAW** (The panel will review current International and Comparative Law concerning Native peoples.)  
**Co—Moderator: Lindsay Robertson**, Professor of Law, University of Oklahoma College of Law, Norman, OK  
**Co—Moderator: John C. Duncan, Jr.**, Associate Professor of Law, University of Oklahoma College of Law, Norman, OK  
**Deanna Hartley-Kelso**, Esq., (*Chickasaw*) General Counsel and Administrator for the Chickasaw Nation Legal Division and Adjunct Professor at East Central University, Ada, OK  
**Giovanna Gismondi**, Adjunct Professor of Law, University of Oklahoma College of Law, Norman, OK
- 2:30 – 5:30 **PANEL F: COMPACTING**  
**Moderator: Honorable Bill Anoatubby**, Governor, Chickasaw Nation, Ada, OK  
**Scott Meacham**, Esq., Director of the Oklahoma Office of State Finance and Governor's Secretary of Finance and Revenue, Oklahoma City, OK  
**Bob Rabon**, Esq. (*Choctaw*) Kile, Rabon & Wolf, Attorney for the Choctaw Nation and Chickasaw Nation, Hugo, OK  
**Gregory Pyle**, (*Choctaw*) Principal Chief of the Choctaw Nation, Durant, OK  
**Chad Smith**, (*Cherokee*) Principal Chief of Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, OK  
**Derek Campbell**, Gaming Compliance Unit Lead, Oklahoma Office of State Finance, Oklahoma City, OK  
**Jerome Levine**, Esq. Partner, Holland and Knight, Los Angeles, CA
- 3:30 – 3:45 *Cookie Break for all Panels*
- 3:30 – 5:15 **STATE / TRIBAL / FEDERAL JUDGES MEETING**  
**Moderator: Honorable Patrick E. Moore**, District Judge for the Muscogee Nation, Okmulgee, OK
- 5:30 – 7:00 **RECEPTION** - *Sponsored by The Oklahoma Arts Council, The University of Oklahoma School of Law, The University of Tulsa College of Law, Oklahoma City University of Law, and The Indian Law Section of the Oklahoma Bar Association. Featuring the music of Brad and Mary Kay Henderson and the storytelling of Will Hill and Jehnean Washington.*

## THURSDAY, JUNE 2, 2005

### Thursday Morning (a.m. 4 CLE credits / 5 ethics included)

- 7:30 – 4:30 **REGISTRATION**
- 8:00 Complimentary Continental Breakfast
- 8:30 – 12:00 **PANEL A: INDIAN COUNTRY ONLINE** (The panel will consider computerized legal research on Native American issues.)  
**Moderator: Honorable Joseph M. Watt**, Chief Justice, Oklahoma Supreme Court, Oklahoma City, OK  
**Co—Moderator: Faye Hadley**, Native American Resources/Reference Law Librarian, Mabee Legal Information Center, University of Tulsa College of Law, Tulsa, OK  
**Douglas Lind**, Professor of Philosophy, University of Idaho, Founder of Tribal Law Exchange, Moscow, ID  
**Tonia Williams** (*Cherokee*), Web Manager of Cherokee.org, The Cherokee Nation's web site  
**Cokie Anderson**, Assistant Professor, Electronic Publishing, Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, OK  
**Terri Calloway**, Esq. (*Cherokee*), Director of Legal Information and Law Libraries, Administrative Office of the Courts, Supreme Court of Oklahoma, Oklahoma City, OK  
**Marilyn Nicely**, Technical Services and American Indian Law Subject Specialist, University of Oklahoma Law Library, Norman, OK  
**Frank J. King, III** (*Lakota*), Executive Editor and Publisher, Native Voice Newspaper, Rapid City, SD  
**Victor Rocha** (*Pechange Band of Luiseno Indians*), Editor-in-Chief and Web Master, Pechange.net, Temecula, CA  
**Christine Zuni-Cruz** (*Isleta Pueblo*), Professor of Law, University of New Mexico, Editor-in-Chief of the Tribal Law Journal, Albuquerque, NM  
**Joan Howland** (*Cherokee*), Professor of Law and Associate Dean for Information and Technology, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN  
**David Maxwell** (*Choctaw*), Technical Assistant, Electronic Publishing, Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, OK  
**Victoria Santana** (*Black Foot*), Electronic Services and Reference Librarian, Oklahoma City University Law Library, Oklahoma City, OK  
**Eddie Chuculate** (*Cherokee/Muscogee*), Copy Editor, Albuquerque Tribune, Albuquerque, NM

- 8:30 – 12:00 **PANEL B: STATE INVOLVEMENT AND TECHNICAL GAMING ISSUES** (The panel will consider technical gaming issues.)  
**Co—Moderator: D. Michael McBride, III**, Esq., Sneed Lang, P.C., Tulsa, OK  
**Co—Moderator: Honorable Deron Marquez**, Chairman, San Manuel Band of Mission Indians, Patton, CA  
**Elizabeth Homer**, Esq., (*Osage*) Homer Law, Washington, D.C.  
**Honorable Rocky Barrett**, Chairman, Citizen Potawatomi Nation, Shawnee, OK  
**David Wilkins**, Professor, American Indian Studies, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN
- 8:30 – 12:00 **PANEL C: TRIBAL COURT JURISDICTION** (The panel will provide an overview of tribal court jurisdiction.)  
**Co—Moderator: Robert Cheadle**, Esq. (*Chickasaw*), Legislative Counsel, Chickasaw Nation, Ada, OK  
**Honorable D. Scott Colbert** (*Chickasaw*), Legislator, Chickasaw Nation, Ada, OK  
**Stacy Leeds** (*Cherokee*), Professor, University of Kansas School of Law, Lawrence, KS  
**Honorable Aaron Duck**, Chickasaw Nation District Court Judge, Ada, OK  
**Honorable Tom Landrith**, Pontotoc County District Court Judge, Ada, OK  
**Dustin Rowe**, Court Advocate, Chickasaw Nation District Court, Ada, OK
- 8:30 – 12:00 **PANEL D: TRIBAL PROBLEM SOLVING & PEACEKEEPING** (The panel will consider alternative resolutions of issues.)  
**Co—Moderator: Kelly Stoner**, Director, Native American Legal Resource Center, Oklahoma City University School of Law, Oklahoma City, OK  
**Dr. Blue Clark** (*Muscogee*), Professor of History at the Oklahoma City University School of Law, Oklahoma City, OK
- 8:30 – 12:00 **PANEL E: TRUST RELATED ISSUES** (The panel will consider the trust situation and related issues.)  
**Co—Moderator: Geoffrey D. Strommer**, Esq., Hobbs, Straus, Dean and Walker, Portland, OR  
**Susan Work**, Esq. (*Muscogee*), Hobbs, Straus, Dean and Walker, Oklahoma City, OK  
**Honorable John Berrey**, Chairman, Quapaw Tribe of Oklahoma, Quapaw, OK  
**Honorable Jim Gray**, Principal Chief, Osage Nation, Pawhuska, OK  
**David Mullan**, Esq. (*Cherokee*), Majority General Counsel, United States Senate Select Committee on Indian Affairs, Washington, D.C.  
**Keith Harper**, Esq., Native American Rights Fund, Boulder, CO  
**Jennifer Romero**, Esq., Hobbs Straus, Dean and Walker, Washington, D.C.
- 10:30 – 10:45 *Morning Coffee/Tea Break*  
12:00 – 1:30 *Lunch (on your own)*

**Thursday Afternoon ( p.m. 4 CLE credits / 0 ethics included)**

- 1:30 – 5:00 **PANEL A: GAMING** (The panel will consider gaming.)  
**Co—Moderator: Honorable Jess Green**, Esq., (*Chickasaw*), Ada, OK  
**Stephen Cortes**, Esq., Deputy General Counsel, Office of the Governor, Oklahoma City, OK  
**Tracy Burris**, (*Chickasaw*), Oklahoma Indian Gaming Commission, Norman, OK  
**Ernest L. Stevens, Jr.**, (*Oneida Nation of Wisconsin*), Chairman, National Indian Gaming Association, Washington, D.C.  
**Philip N. Hogen**, Esq., (*Oglala Sioux*), Chairman, National Indian Gaming Commission, Washington, D.C.  
**Elizabeth L. Homer**, Esq., (*Osage*), Homer Law Firm, Washington, D.C.  
**David McCullough**, Esq., Doerner Saunders Daniel & Anderson, L.L.P., Oklahoma City, OK  
**Mark J. Wolff**, Esq., Professor of Law, St. Thomas University School of Law, Miami, FL  
**Gary Pitchlynn**, Esq., (*Choctaw*), Pitchlynn and Morse, Norman, OK  
**William Norman**, Esq., Hobbs, Straus, Dean and Walker, Oklahoma City, OK
- 1:30 – 5:00 **PANEL B: INTERNATIONAL ISSUES AFFECTING INDIGENOUS PEOPLES** (The panel will consider varied international indigenous issues.)  
**Moderator: Honorable Marian P. Opala**, Justice, Oklahoma Supreme Court, Oklahoma City, OK  
**Co—Moderator: Cynthia Price Cohen, J.D., M.A., J.S.D.**, Executive Director, Childrights International Research Institute, New York, NY  
**G. William Rice**, (*United Keetowah Cherokee*) Professor of Law, University of Tulsa College of Law, Tulsa, OK
- 1:30 – 5:00 **PANEL C: CREATING TRIBAL FAMILY COURTS**  
**Moderator: Kelly Stoner**, Director, Native American Legal Resource Center, Oklahoma City University School of Law, Oklahoma City, OK
- 1:30 – 5:00 **PANEL D: BASIC INDIAN LAW: A PRIMER FOR ALL LAWYERS - THE OKLAHOMA BAR ASSOCIATION INDIAN LAW SECTION** (The section will provide an overview of Indian law for the general practitioner.)  
**Co—Moderator: Colleen Meek**, Executive Director, Oklahoma Indian Legal Services, Oklahoma City, OK  
**C. Steven Hager**, Litigation Director, Oklahoma Indian Legal Services, Inc., Oklahoma City, OK  
**Ruseal Brewer**, Esq., Project Attorney, Native American Legal Resource Center, Oklahoma City University School of Law, Oklahoma City, OK  
**John Williams**, Esq., Cary & Williams, LLC., Tulsa, OK  
**Ange Aunko Hamilton**, (*Kiowa*) Attorney Decision-Maker, Office of Hearing and Appeal, Department of the Interior, Aberdeen, SD  
**David Mullan**, (*Cherokee*) Majority General Counsel, Senate Committee on Indian Affairs Staff, Washington, D.C.  
**Arvo Mikkanen**, (*Kiowa*) Assistant U.S. Attorney, Western District of Oklahoma, Oklahoma City, OK  
**D. Michael McBride, III**, Esq., Sneed, Lang, P.C., Tulsa, OK  
**Shannon Prescott**, Assistant Prosecutor, Muscogee (Creek) Nation, Okmulgee, OK
- 1:30 – 5:00 **PANEL E: STATE-TRIBAL COOPERATION AND INDIAN CHILD WELFARE** (The panel will discuss cooperative strategies for addressing Indian child welfare issues, including state legislation and tribal court-appointed special advocate programs.)  
**Co—Moderator: Linda Sikkema**, National Conference of State Legislatures, Denver, CO  
**Donna Loring**, Penobscot Indian Nation, Indian Island, Maine  
**David Simmons**, National Indian Child Welfare Association, Portland, OR  
**Honorable Reggie Joule**, Alaska Legislature, Juneau, AK  
**Sarah Hicks**, Consultant, National Congress of American Indians, Washington, D.C.  
**Andrea Wilkins**, National Conference of State Legislatures, Denver, CO
- 3:30 – 3:45 *Cookie Break for all Panels*

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**REGISTRATION FEES:** \$ 195.00, if postmarked ***before May 15, 2005***  
\$ 210.00 if postmarked after May 15, 2005  
\$ 95.00 for Federal, State or Tribal judges  
(This fee is waived for Oklahoma judges.)  
\$ 100.00 per person, per day, for one-day registration  
(No one day registration for June 1, 2005)

**TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_ **NUMBER OF PEOPLE** \_\_\_\_\_

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**For more information about The Sovereignty Symposium XVIII 2005, call Julie Rorie at (405) 522-7875 or log-on to [www.oscn.net](http://www.oscn.net) and click on the Sovereignty Symposium link on the lefthand side.**

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