

Agenda

Sovereignty Symposium 2011

Seeds of Sovereignty

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Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

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Wednesday, June 1, 2011

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Wednesday Morning:

- 7:30 – 4:30 Registration (Honors Lounge)
- 8:00 – 8:30 Complimentary Continental Breakfast
- 10:30 – 10:45 Morning Coffee / Tea Break
- 12:00 – 1:00 Lunch on your own.

8:30 –5:30 PANEL A: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE

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8:30 – 12:00 **PANEL B: SEEDS OF SOVEREIGNTY – FROM THE PRESERVATION OF HISTORIC SEEDS TO THE FUTURE OF FOOD**

MODERATOR:

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8:30 – 12:00 PANEL C:

INTERNET GAMING IS COMING. IS INDIAN COUNTRY READY?

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8:30 – 12:00 **PANEL D:**

NURTURING THE SEEDS – WATER LAW

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8:30 – 12:00 PANEL E:

VETERAN'S ISSUES

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Wednesday Afternoon:

1:15 – 2:30 Opening Ceremony and Keynote Address-
Ballrooms D-F/Purple Room

- **Camp Call: Honorable Gordon Yellowman** (*Cheyenne*), El Reno, Oklahoma.
- **Master of Ceremonies – Honorable Rudolph Hargrave**, Justice, Supreme Court of Oklahoma, Wewoka, Oklahoma.
- **Presentation of Flags by Tribal Leaders, Ms. Barbara Warner**, Executive Director, Oklahoma Indian Affairs Commission.
- **Honor Guards:**

- Vietnam Era Veterans Intertribal Association
- Kiowa Black Leggings.
- **Drum: Southern Nation Singers.**
- **Invocation: Honorable Gordon Yellowman,** (Cheyenne), El Reno, Oklahoma.
- **Welcome: Mary Fallin, Governor of Oklahoma,** Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, (Invited).
- **Welcome: Chief Justice Steven Taylor,** Chief Justice, Oklahoma Supreme Court, McAlester, Oklahoma.
- **Welcome: Honorable Bill Follis,** Chairman, Oklahoma Indian Affairs Commission, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.
- **Welcome: Deborah Reheard,** President, Oklahoma Bar Association, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.
- **Address: Baroness Nicholson of Winterbourne,** House of Lords, London, England.
- **Closing Prayer: The Right Reverend William C. Wantland** (*Seminole*), Seminole, Oklahoma.

3:30 – 3:45 Tea / Cookie Break for all Panels

2:30 – 5:30 **PANEL A:** Ballroom C/Blue Room

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND
INTERNATIONAL TRADE
[A Continuation of the Morning Panel]**

CO- MODERATORS:

DR. JAMES C. COLLARD, Director of Planning and Economic Development, Citizen Pottawatomi Nation, Shawnee, Oklahoma.

KAY BILLS, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

2:30 – 5:30 PANEL B:

**INDIGENOUS RIGHTS AND JUSTICE IN
GUATEMALA: THE MAYA EXPERIENCE**

MODERATOR:

CO-MODERATOR: GIOVANNA GISMONDI, Adjunct Professor, University of Oklahoma College of Law, Norman, Oklahoma.

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CLYDE SNOW, PH.D., Forensic Anthropologist, Norman, Oklahoma.

FREDY PECCERELI: Guatemalan forensic anthropologist.

JOSE SOSOF, Maya victim of the massacre in Santiago Atitlan.

ROSALINA TUYUC, Member of the Guatemalan Congress and founder of the National Association of Guatemalan Widows (CONAVIGUA).

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2:30 – 5:30 PANEL C:

**INDIAN COUNTRY CONSTRUCTION
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2:30 – 5:30 PANEL D:

**DNA AND TRIBAL MEMBERSHIP
LANGUAGE AND MIGRATION PATTERNS**

MODERATOR:

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2:30 – 5:30 PANEL E:

THE SEEDS OF THE FUTURE: EDUCATION

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Thursday, June 2, 2011

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Thursday Morning:

7:30 – 4:30 Registration

8:00 – 8:30 Complimentary Continental Breakfast

8:30 – 12:00 PANEL A:

**INDIAN GAMING: AN INDUSTRY PERSPECTIVE ON
REGULATION**

MODERATOR: BRITT SINGLETARY, ESQ.,
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8:30 – 12:30 PANEL B:

UNITED NATIONS DECLARATION OF THE RIGHTS OF INDIGENOUS PEOPLES. RECOGNITION BY THE UNITED STATES—WHAT’S NEXT?

MODERATOR: WALTER E. ECHO-HAWK, ESQ., Crowe And Dunlevy, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

WILLIAM RICE, Associate Professor of Law, University of Tulsa College of Law, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

LINDSAY ROBERTSON, Professor of Law, University of Oklahoma School of Law, Norman, Oklahoma.

8:30 – 12:00 PANEL C:

INDIAN CHILD WELFARE ACT ISSUES

MODERATOR:

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8:30 – 12:00

PANEL D:

CONCERNS OF THE JUDICIARY

MODERATOR: HONORABLE PHILLIP LUJAN,
Presiding Judge, Citizen Potawatomi Nation Tribal
Court, Shawnee, Oklahoma.

SESSION ONE: ETHICS

HONORABLE JOHN F. REIF, Justice, Supreme Court
of Oklahoma, Skiatook, Oklahoma
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**SESSION TWO: THE POWER OF TRIBAL COURTS
TO PROTECT**

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**SECTION THREE: TRIBAL AND STATE
JURISDICTIONAL COLLABORATION:
RECOGNITION AND ENFORCEMENT OF
SOVEREIGN ORDERS**

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HONORABLE JOHN CRIPPS, District Judge,
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8:30 – 12:00 PANEL E:

**SEEDS OF SOVEREIGNTY AND THE LAND IN
WHICH THEY GROW**

MODERATOR:

CO- MODERATOR: LEAH HARJO-WARE

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INDIAN LAND OWNERSHIP ISSUES

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Thursday Afternoon:

3:30 – 3:45 Tea / Cookie Break for all Panels

1:30 – 5:00 **Panel A:**

GAMING

MODERATOR: JESS GREEN, ESQ., (*Chickasaw*), Ada, Oklahoma.

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1:30 – 5:00 **PANEL B:**

CRIMINAL LAW

MODERATOR: HONORABLE SANFORD C.

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1:30 – 5:00 **PANEL C:**

SEEDS OF SOVEREIGNTY AND THE LAND IN WHICH THEY GROW –A CONTINUATION OF THE MORNING PANEL.

1:30 – 5:00 **PANEL D:**

IMPACTS OF THE INDIAN RESERVATION ROADS PROGRAM IN INDIAN COUNTRY-PAST AND FUTURE

