**Pre-law Advisors Conference**

Tuesday-Wednesday, February 4-5, 2020

Isleta Resort and Casino, Albuquerque, New Mexico

Events are held in the Rio Grande -Bosque Room unless otherwise noted.

**Monday, February 3, 2020**

4:00 – 6:00 p.m. Registration and Hotel Check-in

**Tuesday, February 4, 2020**

8:00 – 8:30 a.m. Registration and Breakfast (Grand Foyer)

8:30 – 8:45 a.m. Welcome and Invocation

  *Honorable Max Zuni, Governor, Pueblo of Isleta (invited)*

 *Rodina Cave Parnall, PLSI Director, American Indian Law Center, Inc.*

8:45 – 9:45 a.m. The Need for Native Lawyers

*Matthew Fletcher, Professor of Law & Director of the Indigenous Law & Policy Center, Michigan State University College of Law*

9:45 -- 11:00 a.m. Identifying Native Students for Law School

 *Kristin Theis-Alvarez, Dean of Admissions and Financial Aid, University of California Berkeley School of Law*

*Neoshia Roemer, Indigenous Law & Policy Center Fellow, Michigan State University College of Law*

11:00 – 11:15 a.m. Break

11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. Law School Admissions Test (LSAT) Overview and Law School Admission Council (LSAC) Resources

 *Isabelle Ramos, LSAC Ambassador, Law School Admission Council*

12:15 – 1:15 p.m. Lunch (Grand Foyer)

***Nuts and Bolts of the Law School Application Process***

1:15 – 2:00 p.m. Adjusting Expectations: Proper Preparation and Timing of the Law School Application

*Neoshia Roemer, Indigenous Law & Policy Center Fellow, Michigan State University College of Law*

2:00 – 2:45 p.m. Advising Students on Law School Selection

*Jeremy Aliason, Attorney and Alumnus of Lewis & Clark Law School*

2:45 – 3:00 p.m. Break

3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Advising on Personal Statements and Resume Writing

 *Kristin Theis-Alvarez, Dean of Admissions and Financial Aid, University of California, Berkeley*

4:00 – 5:00 p.m. Advising on Supplemental Statement Writing (Diversity Statements and other Addenda)

 *Jeremy Aliason, Attorney and Alumnus of Lewis & Clark Law School*

5:15 – 6:30 p.m. Light Reception (Seminar Room)

 Dinner is on your own

**Wednesday, February 5, 2020**

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8:00 – 8:30 a.m. Breakfast (Grand Foyer)

8:30 – 9:30 a.m. Financing a Law School Education

*Joseph Lindsay, Assistant Director of Admissions, University of California, Berkeley School of Law*

9:30 – 11:00 a.m. Mock Law School Application File Review

 *Kate Rosier, Executive Director of the Indian Legal Program, Arizona State University Sandra Day O’Connor College of Law*

11:00 – 11:15 a.m. Break

11:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. The Pre-Law Summer Institute

*Rodina Cave Parnall, Pre-Law Summer Institute (PLSI) Director, American Indian Law Center, Inc.*

12:15 – 1:15 p.m. Lunch (Grand Foyer)

1:15 – 2:15 p.m. In Their Own Words: Native Law Student Perspectives

*Felisha Adams, Navajo Nation, 2L at the University of New Mexico School of Law*

*Mariah Black Bird, Lakota, 2L at the Sandra Day O’Connor College of Law at Arizona State University*

*Joseph Byrd, Cherokee, Osage, and Quapaw Nations of Oklahoma, 3L at the University of New Mexico School of Law*

*Mac Stant, Navajo Nation, Hopi descendant, and Native Hawaiian, 2L at the Sandra Day O’Connor College of Law at Arizona State University*

*Moderator, Rodina Cave Parnall, PLSI Director, American Indian Law Center, Inc.*

2:15 – 3:00 p.m. In Their Own Words: Native Attorney Retrospectives on Law School and Entry to the Legal Profession

 Followed by Discussion

3:00 p.m. In Your Own Words: Wrap up/Resources/Q&A/Evaluations

 *Rodina Cave Parnall, PLSI Director, American Indian Law Center*