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EMPLOYMENT AND PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Law Offices of J. Eric Reed, October 1996-Present

Since 1996 in Practice in American Indian Law, Tribal Law, International Indigenous Rights, Corporate/Business, and Criminal Trial, Criminal Appellate Law and Environmental Law. Represented the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe as a tribal attorney. Since entering private practice I have focused on trial law and litigation in State, Federal, Tribal and Military Courts. Special Consultant to the Texas Rangers and Hunt County Sheriff in the Investigation of the killing of a sacred white buffalo calf Lightning Medicine Cloud and mother in Greenville, Texas. Advise Corporations, NGOs and Non-Profits on international indigenous rights and legal issues. Also representing companies and non-profits as Independent General Counsel on Corporate, Sustainable Business Practices, Employment and Environmental law issues both locally and internationally. Independent Legal Consultant on Baby Veronica, Dollar General case, Tribal Sovereignty and No DAPL cases Journal for Indian Country Today. Enrolled Member Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma

Guest Lecturer, University of Texas Dallas, School of Interdisciplinary Studies 1996-2012

Spoke in classes on Issues of Tribal Economic Development in America, Growing a Tribe's Economy Using a Sustainable Economic Model, Native Americans and the Law, Terrorism and Foreign Diplomacy, War, Negotiations, Business Intelligence, Law and Ethics, Law and Psychology, and Organized Crime. Additional class topics included: Terrorism and Domestic US Law; Terrorism and International Law; Extralegal Renditions under International Law; International Criminal Court and War Crimes; Understanding the Issues in a White Collar Fraud Case; Racketeering; Organized Crime; Defending a Federal White Collar Case; Federal Sentencing in a White Collar Case; Defending a Conspiracy Case; Unlawful Search and Seizure; Defending a Military Court Martial USMC. Representing Indigenous Peoples in US Federal Courts and International forums. Present issues on Cultural Resource Law.

Assistant District Attorney, Dallas County District Attorney's Office , Trial Unit 1996

Office of the United States Attorney, District of South Dakota, Special Prosecutor 1994-1996

Cheyenne River Sioux, Tribal Prosecutor/Attorney 1994-1996 (Special for conflicts to present).

PRESENTATIONS

Tarrant County Bench Bar Conference 4/12/25 Weaponizing Native American Race to Attack Native American Citizenship and Democracy: Understanding the Difference between Native American ethnicity and Tribal Citizen being a Member of a Political Sovereign under US Constitutional Law. CLE

Lunch with Tarrant County Black Attorneys Association: DEI Presentation and Discussion, Native American Legal Issues in Texas and among the Oklahoma Tribes in re to travel home under *McGirt* & Understanding the Legal Issues related to the Freedmen Enrollees under the Dawes Act & Tribal Sovereignty, Dec 13, 2024. CLE.

Dallas County District Attorney's Office, Understanding the Basics of Criminal Law in Indian County and MMIW, Discussions about Native American Law Issues of Cases involving enrolled citizens of federally recognized tribes and state treaty tribes and resources for victims and defendants in cases in Dallas County, Nov. 2024.

Texas State Bar Meeting: June 2024 *Brackeen* after the Supreme Court Decision, Texas ICWA and *McGirt* and Texas law enforcement with tribal police on Texas Oklahoma Border.

Panel Discussion with Presenter Dina Gilio-Whitaker April 2024, As Long as the Grass Grows, the indigenous fight for environmental justice from colonization to Standing Rock in current times. SMU Honors Students Program.

Panel Discussion: A Legal History of Indian Law in America: For Professor Dina Gilio-Whitaker, American Indian Studies Program, Social Justice Issues on the status of Tribal Sovereignty and protecting Tribal Lands., Oct. 2022 & updated presentation Nov. 2023 California State University-San Marcos.

Brownfields, August 18, 2022, Tribal Conference, Oklahoma City, Legal Topics in Tribal Sovereignty and Brownfields, Presentation on the current federal EPA exclusions for Oklahoma Tribes for Tribal Environmental Officers dealing with Brownfields on Tribal Lands.

Texas State Bar Meeting, June 2021, ICWA and *Brackeen* Case implications for Plenary Power issues in Tribes Relationship with Congress, Native American Bar Section Meeting.

Examining *McGirt* & Tribal Capacity Building and Cases Affecting Tribal Jurisdiction over crimes in Indian Territory. March 2021, Indigenous Studies Committee, SMU, Dept. Anthropology.

Religious and Ceremonial Rights of Native Inmates in Federal Prison, Nov. 2019, Federal Bureau of Prisons Administration, Northern District of Texas.

Representing US Citizens Incarcerated in Foreign Countries Accused of Crimes, Lorman Corporation, Sept. 2019 and an ongoing video presentation CLE.

Tribes, Business Development and Environmental Disparity: Business Ethics and Social Inequality on Environmental Issues in America, Social Capitalism, Ethical Business Development and Environmental Justice. Department of Philosophy, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, TX. Nov. 2016.

Tribal Sovereignty and Pipelines: Maintaining Sovereignty in Troubled Times, University of Texas at Arlington. Native American Students Association. Nov. 2016

Why Standing Rock Matters: Can Oil & Water Mix?, Wm Clements Center for SW Studies & McGuire Energy Institute, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas, Fall 2016.

Opportunities for Tribal Economic Development as the Forefront of Sustainable Economies in North America, ITT Technical College, 2015 & UTD MBA, Emerging Businesses, Fall 2015.

Criminal Laws and the Small Business Owner, ITT Technical College, 2010

The Paralegal and the Criminal Law Office, Dallas Paralegal Association, 2009

Texas DWI Punishment Laws, Lorman CLE, 2008

Representation of the Unpopular as a Criminal Defense Attorney, University of Texas, American Studies Program, 2003

Post Conviction Relief for Immigrant Clients in Texas State Court, Dallas Section of the American Immigration Lawyers Association, 2002

Important Factors in Preparing for Trial in a Federal White Collar Case, Dallas Paralegal Association, 2001

Post Conviction Relief for Immigrant Clients in Federal Court, Dallas Section of the American Immigration Lawyers Association, 2000

Collateral Consequences of Domestic Violence Cases Limiting Firearm Ownership, Richardson Gun Show Club Meeting, Convention Center, 1998

Analyzing Indian Country Criminal Jurisdiction in Texas, State Bar of Texas Annual Meeting, 1997

The Importance War Crimes Tribunals in Cases of Genocide, American Bar Association, International Criminal Court Draft Committee, 1996

Using Treatment Alternatives Instead of Incarceration for Substance Abuse Offenses, Cheyenne River Healthy Nations Project, 1995

Coordinating Effective Law Enforcement in Indian Country, South Dakota States Attorney Annual Meeting, 1995

Criminal Law, Archeology and Cultural Resource Preservation, University of Iowa, American Indian Studies Program, 1994

Effective DWI Prosecutions and Preservation of Evidence in a DWI Case, Albuquerque Police Department, 1993

Preservation of Cultural Resources on Tribal Lands and the Law, University of Iowa, American Indian Studies Program, 1993

EDUCATION

University of Iowa College of Law, J.D., 1994

Fellow to Professors Robert N. Clinton and S. James Anaya

Clinical Trial Prosecutor Bernalillo County DA's Office, Albuquerque, New Mexico

Student Clinical Prosecutor Laguna Pueblo 1992

Student Clinical Prosecutor Isleta Pueblo 1992

United Nations Student ECOSOC Delegate to 1993 Working Group on Indigenous Peoples

*part of commission that prepared Draft Declaration of International Indigenous Peoples Rights

Associate Editor Journal of Transnational Law & Contemporary Problems

Southern Methodist University, 1988

B.S. Economics and Finance, Minor in Business Administration

B.A. Anthropology, Specialization in Archeology

PROFESSIONAL LICENSES

United States Appeals Courts for 5th Circuit, New Orleans, LA 2023.

State Bar of Texas, 1995

State Bar of South Dakota, 1995

U.S. District Court for the District of South Dakota, 1995

U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas, 1997

U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Texas, 1998

Cheyenne River Sioux Tribal Court,

Choctaw Nation Tribal Court

Isleta Pueblo Tribal Court

Laguna Pueblo Tribal Court

Jicarilla Apache Tribal Court

BIA CFR Courts

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Chair, Native American Law Section, State Bar of Texas 1999-2007, 2024-2025

Intertribal Council Coalition of Texas, Sponsor, Board Member Toys for Tots USMC Representative for the Eugene Cooper Folsom Memorial Youth Pow Wow, & Pot Luck Dinner and Winter Clothing Drive. 1st Annual Event for the Folsom Family, December 21, 2024, Dallas, Oak Cliff, Texas.

Urban Inter-Tribal Center of Texas – Prior Board Member, supporting Toys for Tots 2018.

Environmental Law Section – Dallas Bar- Board Member (past Board member)

Texas Indian Bar Association - State Bar Councilman – Indian Law Section

Native American Law Enforcement Association, Charter Member

Dallas Criminal Defense Lawyer's Association

Texas Criminal Defense Lawyer's Association

Red Path Warriors Society – Texas Native American Veterans Group

Native American Legal Consultant to SMU Indigenous Studies Commission

HONORS

Eagle Scout and Adult Volunteer Scouter, Circle Ten Council, Troop 734

Listed on the Wall of Honor, National Constitution Center, Philadelphia, PA

Listed on the Wall of Tolerance, Southern Poverty Law Center, Alabama

REFERENCES

Prof. S. James Anaya – former Dean Colorado Law School

Prof. Robert N. Clinton – Prof. Emeritus retired Arizona State University & Iowa Law School.

Hon. Sam Deloria – former head of American Indian Law Center – UNM Law School - PLSI

Hon. Steven Emery – former Attorney General Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe (passed)

Hon. Jim Rolfe – former United States Attorney, Northern District of Texas (passed)

Kevin Washburn, former Dean of the Iowa Law School, former Asst Sec. Interior (BIA)

Capt. John Tiddark, US Army Green Beret Ret, Comanche, Vietnam Veteran, Intertribal Council Member DFW.

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