



# NEWSLETTER

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## University of Oklahoma to Hold 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual NNALSA Moot Court Competition

The competition will be held Feb 28 - March 1, 2014 at the OU College in Norman, OK. The competition problem was released Nov 1, 2013. Official rules, registration details, and other information can be found at the official competition website <http://www.law.ou.edu/content/nnalsa-moot-court-competition>.

## Career Fair At This Year's Moot Court

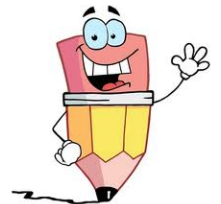
The National Native American Law Students Association (NNALSA) is pleased to announce the 2014 NNALSA Career Fair! The event will take place Saturday, March 1<sup>st</sup>, during the National Moot Court Competition at the University of Oklahoma College of Law in Norman, Oklahoma. We have limited space available and the registration deadline will be January 3<sup>rd</sup>. Costs will be \$250 for private organizations and \$100 for non-profit organizations.

This is a great opportunity to connect and network with future Indian Law practitioners! Please contact NNALSA's Liaison Jeffrey Cornell [nnalsa.liaison@gmail.com](mailto:nnalsa.liaison@gmail.com) with any questions or to express an interest in participating. We look forward to seeing you at the 2014 Career Fair!

## Writing Competition 2014

The National Native American Law Student Association (NNALSA) is pleased to announce that Seattle University School of Law will host the 13th Annual NNALSA Writing Competition. The purpose of the writing competition is to recognize excellence in legal research and writing related to Indian law, actively encourage the development of writing skills of NNALSA members, and enhance substantive knowledge in the fields of Federal Indian Law, Tribal Law and traditional forms of governance. The competition is open to matriculated law students at any point in their law school career and regardless of race or tribal membership status. Eligible topics are Federal Indian law and policy, Tribal law and policy, International law and policy concerning indigenous peoples, and Comparative Law.

Three winners will be selected from the writing competition (1st place, 2nd place, and 3rd place). All three winners will win a cash prize, but the first place winner will be published in Seattle University's American Indian Law Journal. The American



<http://www.nationalnalsa.org>

Indian Law Journal (AILJ) is an academic collaboration among students, faculty, and practitioners. AILJ is designed to fill a critical gap in the amount of current scholarship available to those interested in the rapidly developing field of Indian law. In addition to providing students with a practical and marketable skill set, AILJ exemplifies Seattle University School of Law's commitment to social justice. Despite numerous issues in Indian law, there are only two dedicated Indian law journals in North America – AILJ being one of them. AILJ provides students with a unique opportunity to work one-on-one with some of the most distinguished Indian law practitioners and faculty members in the country.

Any inquiries regarding the 13th Annual NNALSA Writing Competition should be submitted to NNALSA's Area 7 Representative, Ashley Ray, at [nnalsa.area7@gmail.com](mailto:nnalsa.area7@gmail.com).

## Featured Chapter: William Mitchell

### Indian Law Clinic Wraps Up Its First Trial

William Mitchell College of Law kicked off its new Indian law clinic with a federal treaty rights trial this summer. Representing the Lac du Flambeau Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians, the Sokaogon Chippewa Indian Community, and the Bad River Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians, the clinic advocated for the rights of Wisconsin Ojibwe tribes to hunt white-tailed deer at night in the ceded territory of Wisconsin.

Clinic students, which included many NALSA members, participated in discovery, prepared witnesses, developed cross-examination materials, and assisted Professor Colette Routel as she presented the case at trial. Their work ranged from the mundane realities of litigation – sifting through boxes of documents hoping to find a magic piece of evidence – to late-night meetings with a team of attorneys strategizing on how best to present the case. This afforded students the opportunity to experience the full reality of the litigation process while making meaningful connections with lawyers and clients. -----



### Michigan State Hosts ILPC Conference, Mid-Year

The Indigenous Law and Policy Center hosted its 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Indigenous Law Conference. Notable Anishinaabe Scholars gave presentations respective to their fields in Nd'nakweshkodaadimin: A Gathering of Anishinaabe Scholars, held Oct 24-25, 2013.

Concurrently, NNALSA Mid-Year meetings took place, and executive board meetings continued into the weekend. Board members and representatives from all over the United States flew into Lansing, Michigan, attended the conference, and met in order to further the mission of the National Native American Law Students Association.

### Sovereignty Symposium XXVII

Coordinators of the Sovereignty Symposium XXVII in Oklahoma City, to be held June 4-5, 2014, have requested NALSA participation in the symposium and its writing competition. More details concerning this including scholarship and tuition waiver information has been sent via attachments to registered NNALSA membership. For more information contact [Julie.Rorie@oscn.net](mailto:Julie.Rorie@oscn.net).

*To MSU and the ILPC,*

*Thank you for being a gracious host to National NALSA during Mid-Year. It is greatly appreciated!*

Send features, events, & other information for publication in our Spring 2014 Newsletter to:  
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**ASU Native American Law Students Association**



**8TH ANNUAL**  
**golf tournament**  
co-sponsored by the Indian Legal Program

**8:30 a.m. shotgun start**  
**saturday, nov. 23**

Southern Dunes Golf Club, Ak-Chin Indian Community  
\$100 per student / \$125 per individual / \$450 per team of 4  
\$150 to sponsor a hole / \$500 to sponsor tournament

Prices go up on Nov 1st

For more information, please contact Connie Goudreau at [connie.goudreau@gmail.com](mailto:connie.goudreau@gmail.com) or (262) 366-2934.

To register, go to <http://conferences.asucollegeoflaw.com/NALSAGolf/>

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