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Forum E-Update

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FORUM PROPOSALS

(To view these proposals, see forum home page
<http://www.courts.ca.gov/3065.htm>)

SB 406: The California Judicial Council approved sponsoring legislation to provide a streamlined procedure for the recognition and enforcement of tribal court civil judgments.

Child Support: Proposal to add a new California Rule of Court that would provide a consistent procedure for the discretionary transfer of title IV-D child support cases from the state courts to tribal courts where there is concurrent jurisdiction over the matter in controversy.

Psychotropic Medication: Proposal to revise rules and forms relating to notice of Indian Tribes.

Tribal Access to Confidential Juvenile Court Files: Proposal to amend section 827 of the Welfare and Institutions Code.

Uniform Adult Guardianship and Protective Proceedings Jurisdiction Act (UAGPPJA) proposed for California: Comment on tentative recommendation of the California Law Revision Commission for adoption in California of a modified version of the Uniform Adult Guardianship and Protective Proceedings Jurisdiction Act to address issues involving conservatorships for members of Indian tribes located California.

FORUM EVENTS

Cross-Cultural Court Exchanges

The forum has planned a series of local tribal court/state court exchanges to both model the collaborative relationships among tribal and state court judges at a local level and foster partnerships among tribal and non-tribal agencies and service providers. Through these exchanges, which are judicially-convened on tribal lands, participants identify areas of mutual concern, new ways of working together, and coordinated approaches to enforcing tribal and state court orders. Since no court order is self-executing, these exchanges serve to support both state and tribal courts by ensuring that those who are providing court-connected services are working together to meet the needs of their tribal communities regardless of whether citizens walk through the tribal or state courthouse doors.

Forum members, Judge Claudette White, Chief Judge of the Quechan Tribal Court, and Judge Juan Ulloa, Judge of the Superior Court of Imperial County co-hosted the first exchange. Forum members, Judge Abby Abinanti, Chief Judge of the Yurok Tribal Court and Judge Christopher G. Wilson co-hosted the second exchange. The third exchange will be co-hosted by Judge Richard C. Blake and Judge Christopher G. Wilson. The next exchange is tentatively scheduled on:

Date: September 12, 2013
Time: 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Where: Hoopa Reservation

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EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

The State Judicial Branch has a Court Extranet with educational and other resources for state court judges and tribal court judges. This Website contains information relevant to all levels of judicial branch personnel and includes resources designed to meet education, facilities, financial, human resources, legal, special court projects, technology, and other informational needs. It also offers both current news and archived resources. For more information, please contact Angelica Souza at 415-865-7417 or angelica.souza@jud.ca.gov

2013 National Tribal Judicial Conference & NAICJA Annual Meeting October 9-11, 2013 in Cabazon, CA

The National American Indian Court Judges Association (NAICJA) is pleased to announce that the 2013 National Tribal Judicial Conference & NAICJA Annual Meeting will be held at the Morongo Casino Resort & Spa in Cabazon, California on October 9 – 11, 2013. This theme for this year's conference is *Renewing and Strengthening Tribal Justice System Foundations*. The Conference is open to the public and will provide information, training and networking opportunities for judges, court personnel and other persons interested in American Indian & Alaska Native tribal justice systems. For more information see this link: <http://naicja.org/events/2013conference>

Beyond the Bench XXII December 2-4, 2013 in Los Angeles, CA

Beyond the Bench XXII will be taking place December 2-4, 2013, at the Marriott Hotel in Anaheim, CA.

For more information visit this link: <http://www.courts.ca.gov/programs-cfcc.htm>

ICWA Educational Resource Video - Bringing our Children Home: An Introduction to the Indian Child Welfare Act

The video will be a companion to the National ICWA Judicial Curriculum currently in development, a resource designed for state court judges, courts, and judicial educators.

http://courts.ms.gov/trialcourts/youthcourt/youthcourt_ycvideos.html

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Tribal/State Programs Link:
<http://www.courts.ca.gov/programs-tribal.htm>

These programs are supported with funds from the Office on Violence Against Women, U.S. Department of Justice that are administered through the California Emergency Management Agency (CalEMA), the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Court Improvement Program, and the California Department of Social Services.

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SURVEYS

Addiction in Indian Country: Tribal Justice Survey

The National Tribal Judicial Center at the National Judicial College (NTJC/NJC), with funding support from the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA), is conducting an on-line survey to assess training needs on addiction related issues and tribal justice systems. <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/YGT78KD>

GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

Bridging Cultures at Community Colleges

Deadline: August 27, 2013

The National Endowment for the Humanities posted FY 2013 Bridging Cultures at Community Colleges grant information, intended to strengthen and enrich humanities education and scholarship at community colleges or community college systems. These projects must be planned and implemented in collaboration with another institution with appropriate resources, such as a college or university, museum, research library, or professional association. Grants may be used to enhance the humanities content of existing programs, develop new programs, or lay the foundation for more extensive endeavors in the future. <http://www.neh.gov>

Surdna Foundation

Deadline: Open (Letters of Inquiry)

The Thriving Cultures Program supports programs that successfully connect teens to artistically rigorous and culturally relevant programs that equip them with practical and life-enhancing skills. This foundation supports programs that prepare young, emerging artists to be creative and innovative leaders in their communities. <http://www.surdna.org>

Implications of New Digital Media Use for Underage Drinking, Drinking-Related Behaviors, and Prevention Research (R21)

Deadline: September 8, 2016

This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) encourages R21 research grant applications from institutions/organizations that propose to investigate whether, and how, heavy involvement in new digital media usage, particularly social media and social networking sites, may influence adolescent alcohol use and drinking patterns, as well as drinking-related problems. This FOA also encourages applications proposing to explore the ways in which new digital media may be utilized as platforms for preventive interventions aimed at underage drinking and related problems.

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-13-263.html>

2013-14 American Indian Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault (DS) Program

Deadline: September 20, 2013

Grant Amount: \$752,154.00

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Fund Source: The DS Program is funded by the federal Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) Services*Training*Officers*Prosecutors (S*T*O*P) Formula Grant. The Program is designed to promote a coordinated, multidisciplinary approach to improving the criminal justice system's response to violent crimes against women. Applicants are expected to continue to offer cultural competency trainings, outreach, advocacy and accompaniment, as well as emergency food, clothing and shelter to Native women victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. Projects may also provide additional services, as needed, such as emergency transportation, assistance with restraining orders, counseling by a licensed therapist, and other forms of emotional support including traditional talking circles and support groups. For more information follow this link: http://www.calema.ca.gov/GrantsProcessing/_layouts/Displtem.aspx?List=a0ffeea6%2D5a86%2D4de1%2Db7d8%2D268add1d7015&ID=119&Web=345b2b9e%2D94a0%2D43c4%2Daebb%2Dc89984ba6450

Dose Response and Efficacy Studies on the Effects of Vitamin D Supplementation on Functional Outcomes in Elderly (U01)

Deadline: September 23, 2013

The National Institute on Aging (NIA) invites applications for a clinical trial on effects of vitamin D supplementation on falls and gait speed in older individuals. During the six-year support period, the awardee will implement a randomized controlled trial with sufficient power to determine the dose response and efficacy of vitamin D supplementation in preventing falls, across a range of doses and baseline vitamin D levels. A measurement of effects of supplementation on gait speed should be proposed as a secondary outcome. Applicants are strongly encouraged to consider advanced, cost-efficient designs that include a dose-ranging phase followed by an efficacy phase for select doses (e.g., adaptive designs). The first nine months of the award will provide funds to conduct pilot studies to test recruitment strategies, determine the proportion of those screened who are both eligible and willing to be randomized, and finalize the study protocol, data collection forms and manual of procedures for the trial.

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-AG-14-001.html>