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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.

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.

Tribal and State Justice Summit 2013 November 18 and 19, 2013 in Valley Center, CA

The California Indian Legal Services and the California Attorney General's Office invite you to the *Tribal and State Justice Summit 2013* to be held on November 18-19 at the Harrah's Rincon-777 Harrah's Rincon Way, Valley Center, CA. For more information visit this link: http://www.calindian.org/

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Tribal/State Programs Link: http://www.courts.ca.gov/progr ams-tribal.htm Beyond the Bench XXII: Equal Access to Justice for Children and Families: The Legacies of Clarence Earl Gideon and Martin Luther King, Jr.

December 2-4, 2013 in Anaheim, CA

Sponsored by the Judicial Council of California, Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC), Center for Families, Children & the Courts (CFCC), the Beyond the Bench conference is a multidisciplinary event dedicated to systemic efforts that improve access and services for children and families in the courts. Beyond the Bench brings together judicial officers, court professionals, tribal representatives, child welfare professionals, attorneys, court-appointed special advocates, service providers, probation officers, juvenile prosecutors, county counsel, and caregivers, as well as experts in diversity, self-help services, domestic violence, collaborative justice, mental health, mediation, case management, evidence-informed practice, and others with an interest in families, children, and the courts. The program is strengthened by the participation of youth whose lives have been touched by the court system. For more information visit this link: http://app.certain.com/profile/web/534452

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. <a href="http://courts.ms.gov/trialcourts/youthcourt-youth

GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

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

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

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First Nations Development Institute

For over 30 years, First Nations Development Institute has been providing technical assistance and grant funding to tribal communities in an effort to strengthen economic development and healthy living. Their programs include: Financial & Investor Education, Combating Predatory Lending, Native American Business & Asset Development, Strengthening Native American Nonprofits and Native Foods & Health. You can sign up for their newsletter and list serve that provides information on upcoming grant funding. For more information visit: http://www.firstnations.org/

AmeriCorps State and National Grant Competitions Corporation for National and Community Service

Due by: January 8, 2014

Purpose of AmeriCorps funding AmeriCorps grants are awarded to eligible organizations proposing to engage AmeriCorps members in evidence-based or evidence-informed (e.g., based on proposed program's data or a similar program's data) interventions to strengthen communities. An AmeriCorps member is an individual who engages in community service through an approved national service position. Members may receive a living allowance and other benefits while serving. Upon successful completion of their service, members receive a Segal AmeriCorps Education Award from the National Service Trust. For two decades, the Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS) has invested in community solutions across the nation -- working hand in hand with local partners to improve lives, expand economic opportunity, and engage millions of Americans in solving problems in their communities (202) 606-7508 or search under grants.gov under: CNCS-GRANTS-09062013. There is no direct link to the full announcement.

Interventions for Health Promotion and Disease Prevention in Native American Populations Due by: May 15, 2014

The purpose of this funding opportunity announcement (FOA) is to develop, adapt, and test the effectiveness of health promotion and disease prevention interventions in Native American (NA) populations.

http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-11-346.html

Behavioral and Social Genomics of Aging: Opportunities in the Health and Retirement Study Due by: September 7, 2014

The Health and Retirement Study (HRS; see at http://hrsonline.isr.umich.edu/) is a longitudinal, nationally representative sample of the US population aged 50 years and older (plus spouses) with an oversample of African and Hispanic Americans and a total sample size of over 20,000). Using funds from the American Reinvestment and Recovery Act, the HRS is currently conducting genomewide scans of DNA samples from approximately 20,000 participants, using the Illumina HumanOmni 2.5 Quad chip. It is anticipated that the genotype data for the first 13,000 subjects will be released to the public via dbGaP in the Fall of 2011, with data from the remaining participants to be released by the end of 2012. This FOA encourages applications taking advantage of the newly available genetic data to advance our understanding of how genetic, behavioral, and psychosocial factors

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affect the health and well-being of older Americans. For more information visit this link: http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-11-318.html

Recovery Act - American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA): Tribal Transit Program Due by: "to be determined"

FTA will be accepting discretionary applications for funds made available under the "American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, 2009" (Pub. L. 111-5; "ARRA") to the Public Transportation on Indian Reservations Program (Tribal Transit Program). The ARRA was signed into law by President Barack Obama on February 17, 2009. Goals of the statute include the preservation and creation of jobs and promotion of an economic recovery, as well as the investment in transportation, environmental protection, and other infrastructure providing long-term economic benefits. The ARRA, Tribal Transit program purpose is to provide funding to federally recognized Indian Tribes for public transportation capital projects for use in public transportation. Under ARRA, \$17 million is available for discretionary award.

http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2009-03-23/html/E9-6271.htm

ARTICLES

US: Shutdown puts American Indian children in the crosshairs Indian Country Today Media Network - October 9, 2013

As the federal government shutdown enters its ninth day, most American Indian tribes are keeping their programs afloat on carryover funds, so the individual casualties still stand out. But if the shutdown continues beyond two or three weeks, the health and education of American Indian children could suffer substantial setbacks.

https://indiancountrytodaymedianetwork.com/2013/10/09/shutdown-puts-american-indian-children-crosshairs-151683

A Non-Academic Guide to the Supreme Court Decision of Adoptive Couple v. Baby Girl Produced by the Association on American Indian Affairs and National Indian Child Welfare Association for Advocates/Counsel for Tribes, Indian Children and Indian Birth Parents.

The United States Supreme Court recently issued its opinion in the case of *Adoptive Couple v. Baby Girl*. This non-academic guide summarizes the decision and provides advocates for tribes, birth parents (particularly unwed fathers) and Indian children with possible responses to the decision. http://turtletalk.files.wordpress.com/2013/10/analysisofadoptivecouplevbabygirl-final-1.pdf