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12th ANNUAL MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY INDIGENOUS LAW CONFERENCE & INAGURAL TRIBAL IN-HOUSE COUNSEL ASSOCIATION LAW CONFERENCE @ MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF LAW INDIGENOUS LAW AND POLICY CENTER

NOVEMBER 5-6, 2015 EAST LANSING, MICHIGAN

KEYNOTE SPEAKER: VENUS McGHEE PRINCE, TICA Co-Founder

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TICA members interested in presenting on the following topics are invited to submit proposals:

- Tribal regulatory structures: Indian nations operate tribal employment rights offices, gaming commissions, natural resource commissions, and other regulatory structures.
- Federal-tribal relations: Indian nations deal with the federal government through self-determination (638) and self-governance contracting, legislative and agency lobbying, fee to trust applications, administrative appeals, and numerous other ways.
- State-tribal relations: Indian nations negotiate and execute intergovernmental agreements over a wide variety of issues.
- Indian child welfare: Indian nations develop child welfare codes and court structures, litigate ICW matters in tribal and state courts, and advocate for Indian children in other ways.
- Internal conflicts of interest (ethics panel): Tribal in-house counsel are confronted with issues relating to client conflicts of interest, internal tribal government conflicts, and inter-branch conflicts.
- Working with outside counsel: Indian nations engage outside counsel on a variety of matters that tribal in-house counsel supervise.
- Internal control systems: Indian nations have developed a wide variety of administrative structures to govern employment, finance, procurement, and other matters.
- Jurisdiction: Indian nations’ assertion of jurisdiction of nonmembers is highly controversial. Tribal in-house counsel advise tribal clients on strategies to regulate nonmembers and litigation strategies as appropriate.

**Deadline for formal proposals is February 1, 2015. Please keep proposals to 300 words or less.**

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MSU will cover reasonable travel expenses for speakers selected for the conference. We will be applying for CLE credits for the conference and so speakers must prepare written materials. MSU can provide research support for speakers in preparing materials, if requested.

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