

**INTER-TRIBAL WORKING GROUP (ITWG)  
SPECIAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CRIMINAL JURISDICTION  
11<sup>TH</sup> IN-PERSON MEETING**

Renaissance Palm Springs Hotel  
888 Tahquitz Canyon Way, Palm Springs, CA  
Agua Caliente Reservation

**Monday, December 3, 2018**

*Unless otherwise noted, all sessions will be in the Mojave Learning Center*

8:30 – 8:45 a.m. **Opening Prayer & Welcome**  
Juana Majel-Dixon, Traditional Councilwoman, Pauma Band of Luiseño Indians  
**Welcome from Office on Violence Against Women (OVW)**  
Sherriann C. Moore, Deputy Director, Tribal Affairs Division

8:45 – 9:00 a.m. **Overview of Inter-Tribal Working Group (ITWG) Meeting**  
Hon. Kelly Stoner, Victim Advocacy Legal Specialist, Tribal Law and Policy Institute (TLPI)  
Hon. Steve Aycock (Ret.), Consultant, National Congress of American Indians (NCAI)

9:00 – 9:45 a.m. **Updates from Implementing Tribes**  
*Each tribe will provide a brief update on their cases and highlight challenges and successes with implementing Special Domestic Violence Criminal Jurisdiction (SDVCJ).*

Pascua Yaqui Tribe (AZ)	Seminole Nation (OK)	Chitimacha Tribe of Louisiana
Tulalip Tribes (WA)	Nottawaseppi Huron Band of the Potawatomi (MI)	Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe (WA)
Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Reservation (OR)	Standing Rock Sioux Tribe (ND/SD)	Cherokee Nation (OK)
Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate (SD/ND)	Muscogee (Creek) Nation (OK)	Quinault Indian Nation (WA)
Assiniboine & Sioux Tribes of the Ft. Peck Reservation (MT)	Sac and Fox Nation (OK)	Gila River Indian Community (AZ)
Little Traverse Bay Band of Odawa Indians (MI)	Kickapoo Tribe of Oklahoma	Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe (WA)
	Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians (MI)	Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians (MI)
	Choctaw Tribe of Oklahoma	
	Alabama-Coushatta Tribe of Texas	
	Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (NC)	

9:45 – 10:30 a.m. **Updates from ITWG Member Tribes**  
*Please be prepared to give a brief update on where you are with implementation and raise any issues your tribe would like to discuss.*

10:30 – 10:45 a.m. **Break**

10:45 – 11:15 a.m. **Updates from Federal Agencies**  
**U.S. Department of Interior**  
Office of the Solicitor – David Armstrong, Attorney-Advisor, Division of Indian Affairs  
**U.S. Department of Justice**  
Tribal Jurisdiction Grant Program – Rebekah Jones, Grant Program Specialist, Tribal Affairs Division  
National Indian Country Training – Leslie A. Hagen, National Indian Country Training Coordinator

11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. **Panel Discussion**  
**Pretrial Services and Risk Assessments**  
Moderator: Alfred Urbina, Assistant Attorney General, Tohono O'odham Nation

Panelists: Michael Carter, Senior Assistant General Counsel, Gila River Indian Community, Oscar “OJ” Flores, Chief Prosecutor, Pascua Yaqui Tribe  
*This session will discuss pretrial services and the use of risk and lethality assessments in criminal cases in Indian Country.*

12:15 – 1:30 p.m.	<b>Working Lunch: Profession-Based Group Sessions</b> <i>ITWG members will break out into the following groups by position and have a focused conversation on common challenges and particular successes for their peers to consider adopting. Additional groups of occupations not listed below may also form based on those in attendance.</i>					
	<b>Judges</b>	<b>Defense Counsel</b>	<b>Prosecutors</b>	<b>Tribal Attorneys</b>	<b>Victim Advocates</b>	<b>Court Personnel</b>
	<b>Law Enforcement</b>					
1:30 – 2:30 p.m.	<b>Tribal Breakout Working Group Sessions</b> <b>Expanding Judicial Systems &amp; Trying New Programs – Pueblo Room</b> Facilitator: Hon. Steve Aycock (Ret.), NCAI <i>This session is geared towards tribes who have already implemented VAWA SDVCJ. This is an opportunity to discuss additional programs, services, facilities, etc. that would be useful for their tribes and share insight about how those programs work at peer tribes.</i>		<b>Preparing for The First Arrest – Mojave Learning Center</b> Facilitator: Alfred Urbina, Assistant Attorney General, Tohono O’odham Nation <i>This session is geared towards tribes who have not yet implemented VAWA SDVCJ, or who are waiting for their first case. This is an opportunity to discuss the various questions about making the first arrest, and hear from the prosecutor of the first ever VAWA SDVCJ case.</i>			
2:30 – 2:45 p.m.	<b>Break</b>					
2:45 – 3:45 p.m.	<b>Tribal Breakout Working Group Sessions</b> <b>The Collection, Analysis and Presentation of Forensic Evidence in Violent Crime Cases – Mojave Learning Center</b> Facilitators: Leslie A. Hagen, National Indian Country Training Coordinator, DOJ and Christine Crossland, Senior Social Science Analyst, DOJ <i>This interactive session will focus on tribes’ experiences using forensic evidence in criminal cases. This is an opportunity to discuss challenges and best practices and to provide ideas for the development of a training series on the collection, testing and use of forensic evidence in criminal cases occurring in tribal communities.</i>			<b>Legislative Proposals to Amend SDVCJ – Pueblo Room</b> Legislative Update: Virginia Davis, Senior Policy Advisor, NCAI Facilitators: M. Brent Leonhard, Attorney, Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Reservation and Michelle Demmert, Chief Judge, Confederated Tribes of the Chehalis Reservation <i>This session will begin with a legislative update on VAWA reauthorization and other legislation which may impact or be of interest to ITWG member tribes. Then, participants will analyze the current legislative proposals to amend SDVCJ and discuss how it might impact their communities.</i>		
3:45 – 4:45 p.m.	<b>SDVCJ Trial Debrief</b> Pascua Yaqui Tribe, Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, & Fort Peck Assiniboine & Sioux Tribes Panelists: Traci Swan, Court Administrator and Magistrate, Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, Melissa Acosta, Chief Public Defender, Pascua Yaqui Tribe, and Hon. Marvin Youpee, Jr., Associate Judge, Fort Peck Assiniboine & Sioux Tribes <i>The members of the implementing tribes who have had SDVCJ trials will each provide a 10 minute overview of those trials, highlighting challenges, what they learned, and providing advice for other tribes. Discussion will focus on everything from jury summons to verdict forms.</i>					
4:45 – 5:15 p.m.	<b>Debrief from Working Group Sessions and Wrap-Up</b>					

**16<sup>TH</sup> NATIONAL INDIAN NATIONS CONFERENCE:  
JUSTICE FOR VICTIMS OF CRIME  
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December 5-7, 2018**

*The conference may be of interest to ITWG members and we strongly encourage you to attend.*

*Note: (1) registration for this conference is not included with your registration for the ITWG—you must register separately; (2) if you are receiving travel assistance from us, we are unable to cover the cost of your registration for Indian Nations, and additional hotel nights beyond the night of December 3.*