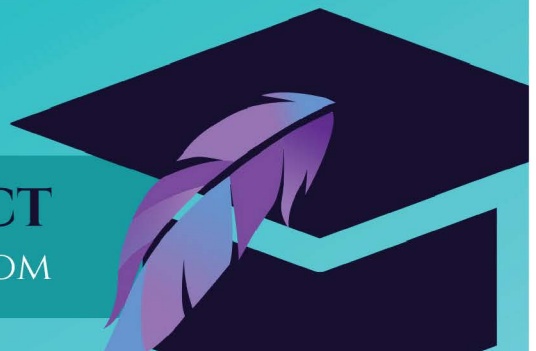




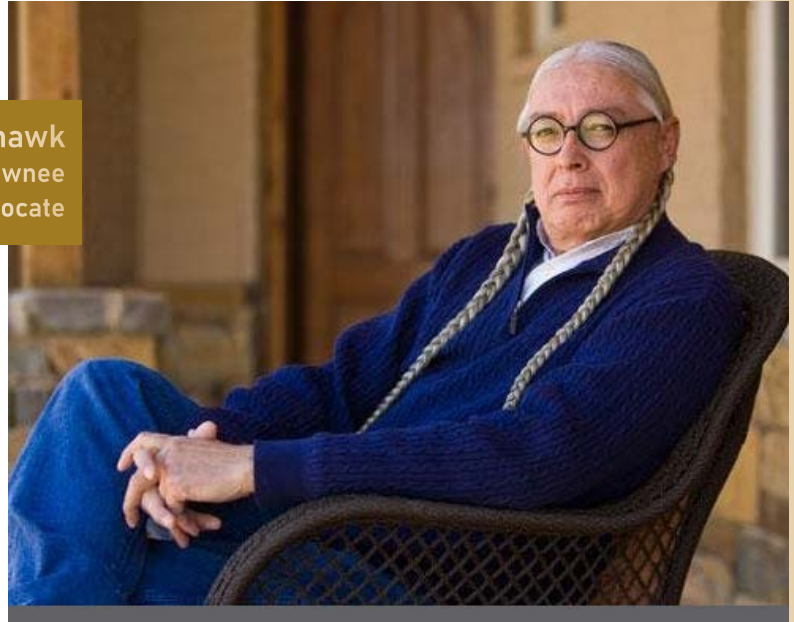
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<b>Thomasina Real Bird</b>	Partner and President, National Native American Bar Association	Patterson Earnhart Real Bird & Wilson LLP	Yankton Sioux Tribe

# Indigenous Law Graduation

Friday, May 29, 2020 - Online Ceremony

Welcoming Remarks **Stacy Leeds**  
*Cherokee*  
Vice Chancellor, Dean Emeritus, Professor of Law  
University of Arkansas

Blessing **Hon. Gregory H. Bigler**  
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Muscogee (Creek) Nation District Court

Introduction of Platform Party **Stacy Leeds**

Poetry Reading in Honor of Graduates **Joy Harjo**  
*Muskogee Creek*  
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Honor Song with Graduate Photos

Greetings and Inspiration **Hon. Deb Haaland**  
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L.L.M. and S.J.D. Graduates **Elizabeth Kronk Warner**  
*Sault Ste Marie Chippewa*  
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Welcome to the Legal Profession **Hon. Diane Humetewa**  
*Hopi*  
United States District Court (Arizona)

Song of Celebration with Graduate Photos

Final Remarks **James Anaya**  
*Purepecha/Apache*  
Dean & University Distinguished Professor of Law  
University of Colorado

Closing **Stacy Leeds**



## Congratulations to the Indigenous law graduates in the class of 2020

We are addressing you today to mark this important occasion and to celebrate the journey you have completed and the path that now lies before you. As Indigenous deans and former deans, we are here to offer you support and encouragement as you make a life in the law. You were prayed for seven generations ago and today you make your ancestors, your family and your Tribal Nations proud.

You are graduating at an important moment in history with far reaching consequences that we can only imagine as technology becomes ever more important in access to justice and legal work and dispute resolution. We hope that you bring the knowledge and insights you have gained in law school to your practice to make a positive difference locally, regionally, nationally and internationally.

We are here to celebrate you and this significant accomplishment of earning your law degree, the Juris Doctor. A life in the law is not always easy. In fact, it can be a difficult path to walk. The road to justice can test you, your integrity, your values and your self-confidence, but know that it is the best road to take with the training you have received. Justice is the highest ideal that we strive for as lawyers, lawmakers, judges, law deans, and law professors.

You earned your degree through long hours of studying, taking exams, engaging in oral arguments and writing to demonstrate your legal analysis. Along with these skills, you have learned independent thinking and leadership traits. With this degree, you carry the tools to help shape society, create remedies to address injustice, and bring equality and end discrimination. Know that all of us are immensely proud of you and that there are many more watching your example and following in your footsteps.

As native people, persistence is one of the strongest traits we share. In reaching this milestone, you have proven that your persistence is strong.

To all the graduates and families, the world needs more lawyers with good hearts and clear minds to continue to make a positive difference. We are confident in saying that today we have with us changemakers and true advocates and we will continue to support them through their struggles, trials and tribulations and of course celebrate their accomplishments, momentous victories and advocacy for good causes.

*We are honored to celebrate you and will continue to cheer you on as you develop your careers.*



*Diosmeiamu (thank you in Purepecha)*

**James Anaya**

Dean and Professor of Law  
University of Colorado Law School



*Pidamayaye (thank you in Dakota)*

**Angelique EagleWoman**

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*Wado (thank you in Cherokee)*

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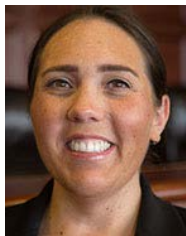
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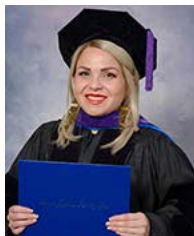
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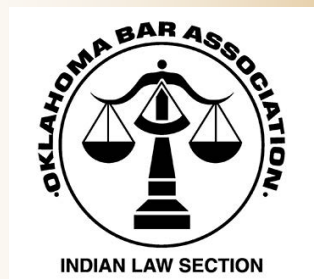
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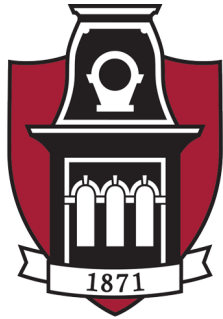
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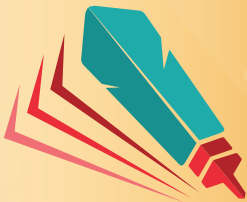
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