



The Future of Trust Administration

Faculty

Robert Anderson

Robert Anderson is a Professor of Law and Director of the Native American Law Center at the University of Washington. He also has a long-term appointment as the Oneida Indian Nation Visiting Professor of Law at Harvard Law School. He is a co-author and member of the Board of Editors of *Cohen's Handbook of Federal Indian Law* (2012) and is co-author of Anderson, Berger, Frickey and Krakoff, *American Indian Law: Cases and Commentary* (2010). He teaches and writes in the areas of Indian Law, Public Land Law and Water Law. He was a member of Secretary's Salazar's Commission on Indian Trust Administration and Reform.

In 2008, he was co-lead of the Obama Transition team for the Department of the Interior. He spent twelve years as a Staff Attorney for the Boulder based Native American Rights Fund where he litigated major cases involving Native American sovereignty and natural resources. From 1995-2001, he served in the Clinton Administration under Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt, providing legal and policy advice on a wide variety of Indian law and natural resource issues. He is a citizen of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe (Bois Forte Band).

Vincent P. Corrao

Vincent is the President of Northwest Management, Inc. (NMI) a natural resource consulting firm with offices in Idaho, Washington and Montana. He is an SAF Certified Forester, a member of the Association of Consulting Foresters, and a certified Environmental Management System lead auditor and past president of the Western Forestry Conservation Association.

NMI has provided consulting services in the Northwest for 30 years and has been involved in many facets of forest land management. Vincent participated as a team member on IFMAT III and is also involved in the implementation of the Anchor Forest concept with the Intertribal Timber Council and the Yakama Nation where cooperation of multiple landowners in a geographic area is employed to provide a long-term sustainable wood supply to maintain existing infrastructure and provide stability to the local communities.

Chris Fluhr

Chris Fluhr is the Staff Director of the Subcommittee on Indian and Alaska Native Affairs of the Committee on Natural Resources of the House of Representatives. Chris has worked in the House of Representatives since 1988 when he was a staff assistant for Representative Don Young (R-Alaska). He also served as the Legislative Director for Representative Young before moving the staff of the Committee on Natural Resources in 1997. Chris is a graduate of the University of Notre Dame.

John Gordon

John Gordon served as the Co-chairman of the IFMAT-III team and previously served as the Chairman for the IFMAT-1 and IFMAT-II teams. He is the Pinchot Professor Emeritus of Forestry and Environmental Studies at the Yale University School of Forestry where he served as the Dean from 1983-1992 and 1997-1998. His experience includes service as an Adjunct Professor in the Hatfield School of Government at Portland State University; Head and Professor, Department of Forest Science, Oregon State University; Professor of Forestry at Iowa State University; Chairman of the Candlewood Timber Group LLC/Forestal Santa Barbara, an FSC-certified sustainable forestry company in Argentina and Principal Plant Physiologist in the Pioneering Project in Wood Formation, USDA Forest Service, Rhinelander, Wisconsin.

John holds a B.S. degree (forest management) and a Ph.D. degree (plant physiology and silviculture) from Iowa State University. He was a Fulbright Scholar in Finland (University of Helsinki) and India (GKVK State Agricultural University, Bangalore). His awards include the University Medal from the University of Helsinki in 2002; an honorary doctorate from Unity College in 2004; the Gifford Pinchot Medal from the Society of American Foresters in 2008 and the Henry A. Wallace Award from Iowa State University in 2012. He is the author of numerous scientific papers and books.

Stacy Leeds

Stacy Leeds is the Dean and a Professor of Law at the University of Arkansas School of Law. In her previous role at the University of Kansas School of Law she served as a Professor, as Interim Associate Dean for Academic Affairs and as Director of the Tribal Law and Government Center. Prior to joining the law school faculty at the University of Kansas, she was a Professor and Director of the Northern Plains Indian Law Center at the University of North Dakota School of Law. She began her career of teaching law at the University of Wisconsin School of Law, where she served as a William H. Hastie Fellow. She received an LL.M degree from the University of Wisconsin, and a J.D. degree from the University of Tulsa. She also holds an MBA degree from the University of Tennessee.

Stacy has focused her teaching and extensive research on property, natural resources, and American Indian law. Among her many honors, she was awarded the prestigious Fletcher Fellowship to support her work on tribal sovereignty and citizenship issues. As a Fletcher Fellow, she was named a nonresident fellow of the W.E.B. DuBois Institute at Harvard University during the 2008-09 academic year. In addition, she has served as a judge for many tribes including the Cherokee Nation, where she was the first woman and youngest person to ever serve as a Supreme Court Justice. She was a member of Secretary's Salazar's Commission on Indian Trust Administration and Reform. She is a citizen of the Cherokee Nation and is the first American Indian woman to serve as the Dean of a law school.

Douglas Maccourt

Douglas Maccourt is a Partner in the Portland office of Ater Wynne where he leads the Land Use and Redevelopment Practice in the firm's Business Group. He has over 25 years of experience in the assessment, remediation, purchase, funding, development and sale of

industrial, waterfront, urban and rural properties throughout the Pacific Northwest. Doug is the Chair of the firm's Tribal Business Group where he advises Native American tribes, tribal businesses and private developers on a variety of economic development activities on and off tribal lands across the United States.

Doug practices before local, state and federal administrative agencies, trial and appellate courts and represents clients before state and federal legislative bodies to obtain funding and other approvals for development projects. He is listed in *Best Lawyers in America* in the Native American and Natural Resources Law categories, *Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business* and was been selected as a 2013 Top Rated Lawyer in Land Use and Zoning by American Lawyer Media and Martindale-Hubbell™.

Gary Morishima

Gary Morishima has over 35 years of experience in computer simulation modeling, natural resource management, policy analysis, workshop organization and conduct, conflict resolution, and meeting facilitation. He provides consulting services to Indian tribes, government agencies, and private industry in areas pertaining to computer simulation of natural resource management systems, statistical analysis, forestry, and fisheries management. He has been active in a variety of legislative and judicial processes, appearing as an expert witness in court proceedings and testifying before Congress on matters relating to natural resource management, trust reform, and Indian policy. He has served as a Technical Advisor to the Quinault Indian Nation for over thirty years. He also worked as Forest Manager for the Quinault Indian Nation, where he helped to establish a program that paved the way for greater tribal involvement and self-determination in forest management.

His educational background includes a B.S. in Mathematics and a Ph.D. in Quantitative Science & Environmental Management, both from the University of Washington. Gary was appointed to the Intergovernmental Advisory Council by the US Secretary of Agriculture to provide advice regarding implementation of the Northwest Forest Plan and to the Salmon and Steelhead Advisory Commission by the Secretary of Commerce. He has also participated in a variety of special projects, such as assisting in the development of legislation (e.g., Salmon and Steelhead Conservation and Enhancement Act and the National Indian Forest Resources Management Act), crafting the Secretarial Order on American Indian Tribal Rights, Federal-Tribal Trust Responsibilities, and the Endangered Species Act, and a US Forest Service National Task Force on Tribal-Federal Relations (1999-2003). Gary has authored numerous publications on natural resource management. He is a recipient of the National Earle Wilcox Award for Outstanding Contributions to Indian Forestry.

David Mullan

David Mullan is the Chief Counsel to the National Congress of American Indians. He previously served as the Staff Director and Chief Counsel to the United States Senate Committee on Indian Affairs. Prior to working for the Committee, David practiced law in Oklahoma. In 1993 he became the Director of the Cherokee Nation's Legal Division under Principal Chief Wilma P. Mankiller. In 1996 he was appointed by the Principal Chief of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation, R. Perry Beaver, to the position of Attorney General of the the Muscogee Nation, and he served in that capacity until he returned to Cherokee Nation in November 1999 to work for Principal Chief

Chadwick Smith. David is a graduate of the University of Tulsa School of Law and is a citizen of the Cherokee Nation.

Catherine O'Neill

Catherine O'Neill is a Professor of Law at the Seattle University School of Law, where she teaches in the areas of environment, property and Indian law. She is a Faculty Co-Director of the Center for Indian Law and Policy. Prior to coming to the Northwest in 1992 she was a Ford Foundation Graduate Fellow at Harvard Law School. She served as an environmental planner and air toxics coordinator for the Washington State Department of Ecology from 1992-1994. From 1994 to 1997, she was a Lecturer at the University of Washington School of Law. From 1997 to 2001, Catherine was an Assistant and then an Associate Professor at the University of Arizona College of Law.

Catherine's research and widely published writing focuses on issues of justice in environmental law and policy. Much of her work considers the effects of contamination and depletion of fish and other resources relied upon by tribes and their members, communities of color and low-income communities. She has worked with the National Environmental Justice Advisory Council on its Fish Consumption Report; with various tribes in the Pacific Northwest and the Great Lakes on issues of contaminated fish and waters; and with environmental justice groups in the Southwest on air and water pollution issues. She has testified before Congress on regulations governing mercury emissions from coal-fired power plants. She has also served as a pro bono consultant to the attorneys for the National Congress of American Indians and other tribes in litigation challenging these mercury regulations. Catherine is a Member Scholar with the Center for Progressive Reform.

Mary Pavel

Mary Pavel is the Staff Director and Chief Counsel of the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs. She is a graduate of Dartmouth College and the University of Washington School of Law. She joined Sonosky, Chambers, Sachse, Endreson & Perry in 1992 and became one of the first Native American women to become a partner in national Indian law firm in January 1999. Mary is the Founding President of the Native American Bar Association of Washington, D.C., and is a member of both the Washington State Bar Association and the District of Columbia Bar Association. She is a citizen of the Skokomish Tribe of the state of Washington.

Elizabeth Kronk-Warner

Elizabeth Kronk-Warner is an Associate Professor of Law and the Director of the Tribal Law & Government Center at the University of Kansas School of Law where she teaches Indian law, tribal law and natural resources. Her research focuses on the intersection of environmental law and Indian law. She has published numerous law review articles and book chapters on this topic. She is the co-author of the casebook, *Native American Natural Resources*, and co-editor of the book, *Climate Change and Indigenous Peoples: The Search for Legal Remedies*. Prior to her arrival at the University of Kansas, Elizabeth served on the law faculties at Texas Tech University and the University of Montana. In 2010, she was selected to serve as an

Environmental Justice Young Fellow through the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars and U.S.-China Partnership for Environmental Law at Vermont Law School.

In addition to teaching, she serves as an appellate judge for the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians Court of Appeals in Michigan. Before entering academia, Elizabeth practiced environmental, Indian, and energy law as an associate in the Washington, D.C. offices of Latham & Watkins LLP and Troutman Sanders LLP. She served as chair of the Federal Bar Association Indian Law Section and was elected to the Association's national board of directors in 2011. She received her J.D. from the University of Michigan Law School and a B.S. from Cornell University. Elizabeth is a citizen of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians.

Phil Rigdon

Phil Rigdon is currently the President of the Intertribal Timber Council and represents the Yakama Nation on the Executive Board of ITC. He has been the Yakama Nation Deputy Director of Department of Natural Resources for the last nine years and has worked for the Yakama Nation for over 20 years within the areas of Forestry & Natural Resources. He represents the Yakama Nation on the Tapash Sustainable Forest Collaborative, the Yakima River Basin Watershed Enhancement Project Workgroup & Conservation Advisory Group, the Washington State Columbia River Policy Advisory Group, as well as the Hanford Natural Resource Trustee Council.

Phil obtained a B.S. degree in Forest Management from the University of Washington in 1996 and earned a Master of Forestry degree from the Yale School of Forestry and Environmental Studies in 2002. He is a citizen of the Yakama Nation.

Thomas P. Schlosser

Thomas P. Schlosser represents tribes in fisheries, timber, water, energy, cultural resources, contracting, tax and federal breach of trust matters. He is a director of Morisset, Schlosser, Jozwiak & Somerville, where he specializes in federal litigation, natural resources, and Indian tribal property issues. He is also frequently involved in tribal economic development and environmental regulation matters. In the 1970s, Tom represented tribes in the Stevens' Treaty Puget Sound fishing rights proceedings. He has a B.A. from the University of Washington and a J.D. from the University of Virginia Law School. He is a founding member of the Indian Law Section of the Washington State Bar Association and also served on the WSBA Bar Examiners Committee. Tom is a frequent CLE speaker and moderates an American Indian Law discussion group for lawyers at <http://forums.delphiforums.com/IndianLaw/messages>. He is a part-time lecturer at the University of Washington School of Law.

Fawn Sharp

Fawn Sharp is the president of the Quinault Indian Nation and of the Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians. She also is a trustee of Grays Harbor College, Vice President of the Northwest division of the National Congress of American Indians, and served as the Chairwoman of the Commission on Indian Trust Administration and Reform. Fawn received a B.A. degree from Gonzaga University in 1990 at the age of 19. She received a J.D. degree from

the University of Washington in 1996 and received an advanced certificate in International Human Rights Law from Oxford University in 2003.

Fawn has served as lead counsel, Quinault Indian Nation; Associate Judge, Quinault Tribal Court; Administrative Law Judge, Washington State Department of Revenue, Tax Appeals Division; and Counsel, Phillips, Krause & Brown. She has been a frequent speaker and panelist in the areas of tax policies and procedures, tribal taxation, tribal regulatory jurisdiction, state-tribal relations, and federal Indian policy and rules of evidence for or on behalf of the National Intertribal Tax Alliance, U.S. Department of Justice, National Indian Gaming Association, and the Washington State Departments of Revenue and Corrections.

Alexander Skibine

Alexander Skibine is a Professor at the S.J. Quinney College of Law at the University of Utah. Alex received a B.A. degree in political science and French literature from Tufts University and a J.D. from Northwestern University School of Law. Before joining the faculty at the University of Utah S.J. Quinney College of Law in 1989, he served as Deputy Counsel for Indian Affairs for the U.S. House of Representatives Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs. Alex has published many articles in the area of federal Indian law and he is frequently invited to speak on federal Indian law issues at venues around the country. He is a member of the District of Columbia Bar association. He teaches administrative law, constitutional law, torts, and federal Indian law. Alex is a citizen of the Osage Indian Nation of Oklahoma.

Mark Trahant

Mark Trahant is the Atwood Chair of Journalism at the University of Alaska Anchorage. He is the 20th person to hold the Atwood Chair. He is also an independent journalist and the former editor of the editorial page of the *Seattle Post-Intelligencer*. He served as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer at the Robert C. Maynard Institute for Journalism Education in Oakland, California. In 2009 and 2010, Mark was a Kaiser Media Fellow writing about health care reform, focused on programs such as the Indian Health Service. He has been a columnist at *The Seattle Times* and editor or publisher at several tribal newspapers, including the *Navajo Times* and a former president of the Native American Journalist's Association.

Mark is a nationally known author, journalist and Twitter poet. Every week day, for some six years, Trahant writes a 140-character poem on Twitter. His goal is to communicate news and opinion in a four line rhyme. (His handle is @newsrimes4lines.) His most recent book is "The Last Great Battle of the Indian Wars" and he is writing a book on austerity, a project he started after winning a Rockefeller Foundation residency at the Bellagio Center on Lake Como, Italy. Mark is a citizen of the Shoshone-Bannock Tribe in Idaho.

Kevin Washburn

Kevin K. Washburn is the Assistant Secretary – Indian Affairs for the U.S. Department of the Interior, post he has held since October, 2012. Kevin is the 12th Assistant Secretary – Indian Affairs to be confirmed since the position was established by Congress in the late 1970s. In addition to carrying out the Department's trust responsibilities regarding the management of tribal and individual Indian trust lands and assets, the Assistant Secretary is responsible for

promoting the self-determination and economic self-sufficiency of the nation's 566 federally recognized American Indian and Alaska Native tribes and their approximately two million enrolled members.

He came to the Department of the Interior from the University of New Mexico School of Law where he served as Dean, a post he held since June 2009. Prior to that, he served as the Rosentiel Distinguished Professor of Law at the University of Arizona James E. Rogers College of Law from 2008 to 2009, and as an Associate Professor of Law at the University of Minnesota Law School from 2002 to 2008. From 2007 to 2008, he was the Oneida Indian Nation Visiting Professor at Harvard Law School.

Previously, he served as General Counsel for the National Indian Gaming Commission from 2000 to 2002, and as an Assistant United States Attorney in Albuquerque, N.M., from 1997 to 2000. He was a trial attorney in the Indian Resource Section of the U.S. Department of Justice from 1994 to 1997. From 1993 to 1994, he clerked for the Hon. William C. Canby, Jr., of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit in Phoenix. His past awards in federal service include the Environmental Protection Agency's Bronze Medal for Commendable Service (2000) for representing the agency in successful Clean Air Act litigation and Special Commendations for Outstanding Service from the Justice Department (1997, 1998).

Kevin is a well-known scholar of federal Indian law. Among his other books and articles, he is a co-author and editor of *Cohen's Handbook of Federal Indian Law* (2012 edition). He was raised in Oklahoma and earned a B.A. degree in Economics with Honors from the University of Oklahoma and a J.D. degree from Yale Law School where he was the editor-in-chief of the Yale Journal on Regulation. He has been a member of the American Law Institute since 2007, and is a member of the State B.A.s of Minnesota and New Mexico. He is a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation in Oklahoma.

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Mary Christina Wood is the Philip H. Knight Professor of Law at the University of Oregon School of Law, where she teaches property law, natural resources law, public trust law, federal Indian law, public lands law, and other courses. She is the faculty director of Oregon's Environmental and Natural Resources (ENR) Law Program and is a co-author of leading textbooks on natural resources law and public trust law. Her most recent book is *Nature's Trust: Environmental Law for a New Ecological Age*, published in October, 2013 by Cambridge University Press. She serves as faculty leader of the ENR Program's Native Environmental Sovereignty Project.

After graduating from Stanford Law School in 1987, Mary served as a judicial clerk on the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals. She then practiced in the environmental/natural resources department of Perkins Coie. In 1994 she received the University's Ersted Award for Distinguished Teaching, and in 2002 she received the Orlando Hollis Faculty Teaching Award. She originated the use of Atmospheric Trust Litigation to hold governments worldwide accountable for reducing carbon pollution within their jurisdictions, and her research is being used in cases and petitions brought on behalf of children and youth throughout the United States and in other countries. She is a frequent speaker on global warming issues and has received national and international attention for her sovereign trust approach to global climate policy.