

TRIBAL-STATE JUDICIAL CONSORTIUM

Strategic Plan - July 2016-June 2017

Mission: To encourage and facilitate communication and collaboration between State and Tribal Court judges on common issues, focusing on domestic violence, domestic relations, child custody, child support, child abuse and neglect, and juvenile justice as well as addressing questions of jurisdiction and sovereignty as they relate to each particular issue

Focus Area

Focus Area	Activity	Details	Purpose	Activities	Responsible Party	Estimated Cost	Start date	Deadline
Rapport/Communication	1	Participate in the NM Partners Meeting sponsored by Casey Family Programs	Includes Deep Data Dive and ICWA trainings	Ensure identification of all ICWA state cases by: a) Review of Odyssey needed to look at data, what needs to change, training of clerks, and new process b) review the ICWA training available from all sources and determine what is needed for the new regulations (educate and train Judges, tribal social workers, other stakeholders)	a) Review Court data then report with others to see how data sharing could be accomplished and strategies to make improvements b) work with group to identify what training is needed related to new regulations	J. Zamora, J. Johnson/Incorporate work and partnership with the ICWA/Title IVE Committee	\$3,000 (contractual) - appx. \$150 (mileage for AOC Staff)	9/1/2016 6/30/2017
	2	Welcome packet for new judges	Provide informational packet on the Tribal/State Consortium, as well as ICWA bench card, Title IVE bench card, project passport, mental health orders	Educate State and Tribal Judges about the Consortium as well as cross-jurisdictional matters between the tribal and state courts	a) The Center is sending a packet to new judges and the Court Services Director provided information at a new district court judges training b) Get a list of new Tribal Judges to send welcome packet and information about Consortium c) Get a list of new Appellate Tribal/State judges and send packets as well	J. Zamora, J. Johnson	\$0	1/1/2017 Send updates as changes are made to tribal bench
	3	Participate in the National Forum	Combine resources and ideas with other Tribal State Forums to promote efforts of the Consortium	Use other resources available and update listserv with information	a) Work with Michigan on getting an ICWA cheat sheet on new regs b) review video training sent from California to see if it can be used on our site c) send updates to listserv as we get them and discuss at Consortium meetings	J. Zamora, J. Johnson	\$0 (at this time) National could provide resources if meetings, training held	7/1/2016 Ongoing throughout the year

	4	Article in State Bar Bulletin in ICWA and Tribal-State Judicial Consortium. Conduct research on Appellate law cases and prepare a summary.	Provide information to Bar on activities and initiatives from Tribal-State	Continued outreach to legal community about the importance of understanding ICWA	a) After annual report is completed, prepare an article regarding activities and new ICWA regulations to submit to the Bar b) Extern at COA will complete research and issue summary on Appellate cases that will be shared with listserv	J. Zamora	\$0	1/1/2017	3/3/2017
	5	State and Tribal Court Visits	Develop and maintain relationships between state and tribal courts	Continue to promote relationships, education, and training	Meeting Schedule to include: July - Metro Court; October - 2nd District Court; January - Albuquerque for CLI; April or July - Navajo Nation	*In reviewing the Budget, site visits need to be closer to Alb.	\$3000 (mileage)	7/1/2016	6/30/2017
	6	Presentation at Federal Indian Bar Conference and attendance at the 15th National Indian Nations Conference to be held December 8-10, 2016	Provide information to participants on activities and initiatives from Tribal-State	Continue to promote relationships, education, and training	a) identify when conference will be held b) discuss topic c) presentation to receive feedback from our federal partners d) update Consortium	David Adams	Potential \$6,400 cost that Budget would not allow for. Seeking assistance from JEC	TBD (possibly September)	TBD
State Services for Indian Children and Families	1	Finalize model tribal court orders	Access to adequate state services	Supreme Court to recognize tribal orders to allow tribal members access to state services	Pending consideration and recommendation to the Supreme Court by the Ad Hoc Rules Committee	J. Collins	\$0	Started FY16 Fiscal Year	12/31/2016
Full Faith and Credit	1	Credit Union Association Research regarding full faith and credit	Based on presentation made in July by President of CU Association, research and work needed regarding FFC	Receive education on FFC as it relates to domestic matters for CU's and issue memorandum to Association	Extern to assist with research regarding FFC and work with the Consortium on the final research product to be provided to members	J. Tager	\$0	9/1/2016	6/30/2017
	1	Assist the NM Partners sponsored by Casey Family Programs on identifying ICWA training needs. Possible Statewide ICWA Training	Identify training needs and work on curriculum	Education of ICWA and new regulations to all stakeholders	a) Work with the NM Partners to identify training needs b) Work with Casey on what resources may be available for training c) Develop curriculum that could be showcased at CLI in 2018 d) Work with CLI Planning Committee to ensure track is done related to Tribal matters every or every other year	J. Romero, J. Zamora, J. Johnson	Review needed of Budget and work with Casey to identify what resources they may have	8/1/2016	1/1/2018

ICWA/Title IVE	2				a) After information is gathered from contract on date, determine need for an ICWA form that would be presented to Rules Committee b) work with CYFD on how their practices will be changed c) develop form and work with Services Committee to determine if Tribal needs are met d) present to the Rules Committee for comment e) train Judges and Court staff (as noted above)	J. Romero, J. Collins	Part of contractual services noted above	Work within dates from Contractor	Work within dates from Contractor
	3	ICWA Form for District Court Judges	Conduct research to identify need for a ICWA form in Odyssey	Consistency with identifying Native children in care					
Drug Court		Participate in NMADCP, seek National Resources available for Tribal Wellness Courts, and identify cross-jurisdiction opportunities	Receive information from local and national drug court resources, training, education, etc.	Assist tribal wellness courts on training, resources, needs	a) J. Eisenberg to report to Consortium on NMADCP meetings b) seek out training and webinars are available for tribal wellness courts c) seek national assistance from NADCP d) work with Peter Bochert to identify cross jurisdiction opportunities	J. Fox/J. Dominguez/J. Eisenberg	\$0	7/1/2016	Ongoing throughout the year
JDAI	1	Continue to work with Isleta on their Pilot project and identify what has worked and where there were challenges	Burns Institute assisting with interviews, collection of data, leadership	Have statewide implementation	a) report on progress as it relates to Isleta b) once in a good place, replicate in Farmington c) continue to work with Navajo Nation and keep updated	J. Zamora	\$0	Started FY16 Fiscal Year	Ongoing throughout the year
	2	Continue to work with the Statewide Leadership Team in expanding JDAI throughout the state and particularly including Navajo Nation	Statewide stakeholders concerted efforts to expand JDAI throughout the State, part of which includes Indian Country	State and Tribal collaboration in expanding JDAI to Indian Country	a) attend Statewide Leadership Team meetings with stakeholders b) continue to work with Navajo Nation on expansion into San Juan County	J. Zamora/J. Johnson	Possibly mileage	7/8/1905	TBD

