2013 Annual Child Welfare Law Update

Ko'olau Golf Course, Honolulu, Hawai'i Friday, August 9, 2013

PROGRAM

8:00 a.m. REGISTRATION

8:30 a.m. WELCOME

Honorable R. Mark Browning, Senior Family Court Judge, Family Court of the First Circuit

Thomas Haia, Esq., Program Emcee

8:40 a.m. JUDICIARY AND EXECUTIVE BRANCH: CHILD WELFARE INITIATIVES, ACCOMPLISHMENTS, AND PLANS FOR 2013-14

Family Court: Honorable R. Mark Browning, Senior Family Court Judge, Family Court of the First Circuit

Department of Human Services: Patricia McManaman, Director

Department of Education: Steven Shiraki, Administrator, Student Support Services
Branch

Department of Health: Stanton Michels, Administrator, Child and Adolescent Mental Health Division

(Q&A to follow)

9:15 a.m. CHILD WELFARE STATUTORY CHANGES AND APPELLATE DECISIONS

Patrick Pascual, Deputy Attorney General Jay Goss, Deputy Attorney General

(Q&A to follow)

9:45 a.m. BREAK

10:00 a.m. "OVERVIEW OF THE INDIAN CHILD WELFARE ACT"

Presenter: Anita Fineday, Casey Family Programs' Managing Director for Indian Child Welfare Programs

Video: "Bringing Our Children Home: An Introduction to the Indian Child Welfare Act"

Question and Answer Session

12:00 p.m. NETWORKING AND WORKING LUNCH

1:15 p.m. "THE INDIAN CHILD WELFARE ACT" PANEL

Honorable Paul Murakami, Judge Family Court of the First Circuit Janelle Taua, former Casey Family Program (Hawaii) foster youth Kathy Swink, Assistant Program Development Administrator, Child Welfare Services

Angela Correa Pei, Guardian Ad Litem Randal Shintani, Parent Attorney Mary Anne Magnier, Supervising Attorney, Family Law Division, Department of the Attorney General

Facilitator: Anita Fineday

2:30 p.m. BREAK

2:40 p.m. THE CONTINUING CHALLENGES FOR ICWA: A FOSTER YOUTH PERSPECTIVE

Daryle Conquering Bear (Oglala Lakota Tribe), Foster Care Alumni and Consultant for the Casey Family Programs, National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges and National Resource Center for Tribes

Question and Answer Session, time permitting.

3:40 p.m. ICWA PRACTICE RECOMMENDATIONS

Anita Fineday

4:00 p.m. CLOSING REMARKS

Honorable Paul Murakami, Judge, Family Court of the First Circuit

GUEST SPEAKERS

Anita Fineday

Anita Fineday became the Managing Director of the Indian Child Welfare Program for the Casey Family Programs in 2011. She previously served as the Chief Judge for the White Earth Tribal Nation for 14 years. She holds a Master's degree in Public Administration from Harvard University's Kennedy School of Government and a Juris Doctorate from the University of Colorado School of Law. She previously served as an associate judge for the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe and the Grand Portage Band of Chippewa. She has also taught federal Indian law and policy at the tribal college, university, and law school levels. She is an enrolled member of the White Earth Tribal Nation.

Daryle Conquering Bear

Daryle Conquering Bear is 25 years old from Colorado. His hometown is Oglala, South Dakota and he is a proud member of the Oglala Lakota Tribe. Currently, Daryle is working on obtaining a Social Work degree. He spent his summer as a Government Affairs Intern at the National Indian Child Welfare Association, where he experienced first hand knowledge of the Indian Child Welfare Act and many more policies that affect Indian country. In his spare time, he likes to read bio's on basketball coaches. He is currently writing a book/guide for native children/youth in foster care focusing on how not to lose the rich culture they have. Daryle experienced the Colorado foster care system and was not presented with the possibility under the Indian Child Welfare Act to be placed with relatives. Daryle experienced culture identity loss when he thought of himself as a spectator at pow-wows and his community. He is currently relearning his native ways and giving back to his community.

Now having overcame those struggles he helps the Indian country by being a youth voice on panels and round table discussions. Daryle serves as an advisory council member and consultant for the National Resource Center for Tribes. Daryle started his advocacy work with FosterClub, as an All Star intern. Through the internship, he developed a passion for helping youth in care and has continued to do so since then. Other highlights from his advocacy career include: holding a youth consultant position for the National Resource Center for Youth Development, and testifying before Congress on behalf of his Native American tribe while raising awareness of Native American issues. Daryle is also a proud northern traditional dancer and hopes to continue to hand down the ways of his culture to his own family and brothers and sisters. He lives by the saying and reminds his audience to "Leave No Indian Child Behind."

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