



## UNIVERSITY OF NORTH DAKOTA SCHOOL OF LAW NORTHERN PLAINS INDIAN LAW CENTER

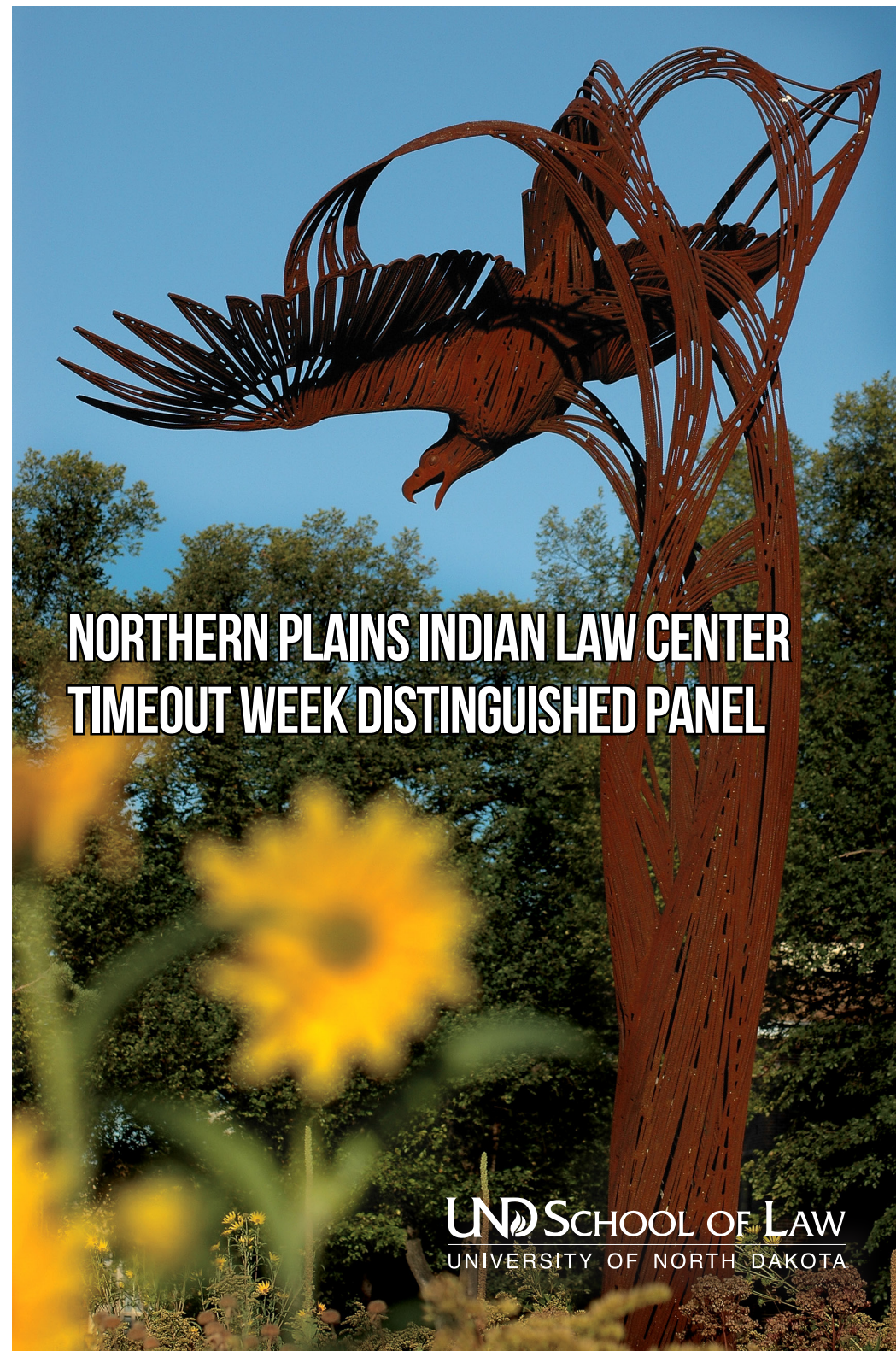
The Center's purposes are to assist tribal governments in addressing legal issues affecting tribal lands and members, and to promote diversity within the legal profession by increasing recruitment and retention of American Indian law students.

The Center is a clearinghouse for American Indian legal materials and provides a forum for discussing and resolving legal issues confronting Indian tribes, the states, and the federal government. It also supports tribal advocacy training programs. The Center has three primary components: the Northern Plains Tribal Judicial Training Institute, Tribal Environmental Law Project, and the Institute for the Study of Tribal Gaming Law and Policy.

The Tribal Judicial Institute is the lead technical assistance agency for the United States Department of Justice's Tribal Court Assistance Program, and has assisted over 250 tribal governments in developing courts, judicial procedures, and tribal laws, and providing training tribal judges and court staff. The Tribal Environmental Law Project has assisted the governments and grassroots organizations of over 50 Indian tribes, and multiple offices of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, in addressing Indian country environmental injustice. The Institute for the Study of Indian Gaming Law & Policy is an interdisciplinary scholarly program that has produced numerous books and articles on a broad variety of issues raised by the inherent authority of tribes to conduct gaming outside the reach of state law.

Many members of the UND faculty and staff have taught, presented lectures and published books and articles in the area of Indian and Tribal Law.

The UND School of Law has one of the few Juris Doctorate Certificate Programs in Indian and Tribal Law in the country, and regularly offers eight to ten courses each year on topics like Federal Indian Law, Tribal Law, Tribal Economic Development, Indian Gaming, Criminal and Civil Jurisdiction in Indian Country, Indian Child Welfare Act, International Indigenous Peoples, and Indian Country Environmental Law.



## NORTHERN PLAINS INDIAN LAW CENTER TIMEOUT WEEK DISTINGUISHED PANEL

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**NORTHERN PLAINS INDIAN LAW CENTER PRESENTS**

# **RESISTANCE, RESILIENCE & RECONCILIATION: INDIGENOUS ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE**

**BAKER COURTROOM, APRIL 18, 2017 - 2:00-4:00 P.M.**



## **DAVE ARCHAMBAULT II STANDING ROCK CHAIRMAN**

Dave Archambault II is the 45th Chairman of the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe. The Tribe's top elected official, Chairman Archambault strives to improve tribal governance and the lives of Standing Rock's members.

While leading the struggle against the Dakota Access pipeline, Chairman Archambault emerged as a global leader for Indigenous Peoples' rights. The Chairman promotes peace, respect, tribal sovereignty, and champions efforts to protect tribal treaty lands and natural resources.

In 2014, the Tribe hosted President Obama and the First Lady during their historic visit to the Standing Rock Reservation. The President, First Lady, and Chairman met with Standing Rock youth, who discussed the challenges of growing up on the reservation and their aspirations for the future.

Chairman Archambault sits on the United States Department of Labor Employment and Training Administration Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Native American Employment and Training Council. Additionally, the Chairman serves on the United States Sentencing Commission's Tribal Issues Advisory Group.

Prior to serving as Chairman, Dave Archambault II directed a project that focused on workforce development in Indian Country for the United Tribes Technical College. He also served as Chairman of Mor-Gran-Sou Electric Cooperative Board of Directors and Chairman of the Sitting Bull College Board.

Chairman Archambault attended Sitting Bull College, where he obtained an Associate of Arts in Business Administration. The Chairman obtained a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from North Dakota State University and a Master's Degree in Management from the University of Mary.



## **SCOTT J. DAVIS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, N.D. INDIAN AFFAIRS COMMISSION**

Scott J. Davis was appointed Executive Director of the North Dakota Indian Affairs Commission in April 2009 by Gov. John Hoeven. Serving at a cabinet level between North Dakota's state and tribal governments to address issues regarding education systems, court systems, economic development, social services, gaming, oil-energy, law enforcement, transportation, healthcare systems, veterans and youth.

Davis holds an Associate of Arts Degree from Haskell Indian Nations University, and a Bachelor's degree in Business and Masters of Management Degree from the University of Mary, Certificate in Principles & Techniques of Fundraising at the Center on Philanthropy at Indiana University. Davis is also a graduate of the Bush Foundation Native Nations Rebuilders Program and Executive Education at the Harvard Kennedy School of Government.

He is a member of the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe and a descendant of the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa. Davis currently is in his first term on the Mandan City Commission.



## **DEAN DEPOUNTIS STANDING ROCK ATTORNEY**

Constantinos (Dean) DePountis joined the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe Legal Department in 2011 and serves as General Counsel, managing the legal affairs of the Tribe. He advises the Chairman, Tribal Council, and the Tribe's programs, departments, and entities. Mr. DePountis has represented Standing Rock, at the trial and appellate level, in tribal, state, and federal courts. He advocates the Tribe's interests during negotiations with corporations, other tribes, and state and federal agencies. Mr. DePountis is also responsible for contract review, code revision, and supervising outside counsel.

Professional highlights include handling significant Indian Child Welfare Act litigation, managing refinancing of the Tribe's cellular communications company, facilitating the Tribe's membership in a tribally owned power authority, and navigating the Tribe's opposition to the Dakota Access pipeline.

Prior to working with Standing Rock, Mr. DePountis was a Risk Consultant in the engineering department of a major insurance company. Before that, he served in the United States Naval Nuclear Power program.

Mr. DePountis obtained his Juris Doctorate from the University Of North Dakota School Of Law and his Bachelor of Science from New School University.