



# ICWA: Understanding the Legal Challenges

March 25-27, 2019

Grand Sierra Resort & Casino

Reno, Nevada

## Protecting Tribal Children & Tribal Culture

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On March 25-27, 2019 the National Indian Justice Center will conduct a training session on the **Indian Child Welfare Act: Understanding the Legal Challenges**. This training session will focus on the impacts of the BIA's 2016 Regulations on the implementation of the Indian Child Welfare Act, as well as legal challenges to the constitutionality of ICWA. Participants will receive a training manual, and a certificate of achievement upon completion of the training session.

## This Session Will Examine

- Historic Foundation for the Adoption of the Indian Child Welfare Act of 1978
- Review of the BIA Regulations
- Review of Brakeen and other cases questioning the constitutionality of ICWA
- Overview of the Challenges to the BIA Regulations
- Intersection of Regulations and Certain State Laws Implementing ICWA
- Determination of a Child's Membership in a Tribe
- Notice Requirements and Timelines
- Good Cause to Deviate from ICWA Placement Preferences
- Applicable Standards of Evidence
- Guidance on ICWA Definitions and Terminology



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## Lodging

### Grand Sierra Resort & Casino

2500 East Second Street

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Register Early!



This training will be conducted at the Grand Sierra Resort & Casino in Reno, NV. All individuals are responsible for their own lodging. GSR is holding a block of rooms at a rate of **\$70.00 (single/Double)** plus tax (13%), \$2.00 per room, per night, tourism surcharge, and a \$25.00 resort fee per room, per night, for participants. **This special room rate will end on Friday February 22, 2019.** To establish charging privileges, guests will be asked to provide a **valid credit card**. When calling use code: **NIJC9**.

## Tuition

The tuition fee to attend this training session is \$575 per person. **The deadline to register is Friday March 15, 2019.** Please complete the registration form and return by mail, e-mail, or fax to:

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### Cancellation Policy:

Participants must call and cancel at least 30 days prior to the scheduled training to receive a full refund. If you do not cancel within 30 days prior to a scheduled class a \$60.00 administrative fee will be assessed. No refunds or credits will be provided for no-shows and cancellation notifications received on or after the conference or seminar.

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