



# Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma

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October 28, 2021

Re: Implementing UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples: InterTribal Workshop

Dear Tribal Leader,

On November 10, 2021 the Pawnee Nation will host an InterTribal workshop on the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples. This workshop will educate and inform our Oklahoma Tribes and Pawnee Tribal Members on this important law development that can benefit all Tribal Nations. This workshop will be hosted in conjunction with the Native American Rights Fund and the University of Colorado Law School.

The Pawnee Nation will host this event in person and virtually to ensure that everyone can get the necessary information and questions answered. For in-person and virtual attendance:

## In-person

- ✓ Contact Jamie Nelson, Executive Administrative Assistant, via email at [jnelson@pawneenation.org](mailto:jnelson@pawneenation.org) or 918-762-3621 ext. 113 with your name, Tribe, and how many delegates will be in attendance;
- ✓ Vaccination cards will be required;
- ✓ Be prepared to be screened at the door prior to entering the Tribal Facility;
- ✓ Masks must be worn at all times;
- ✓ RSVP by November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021

## Virtual

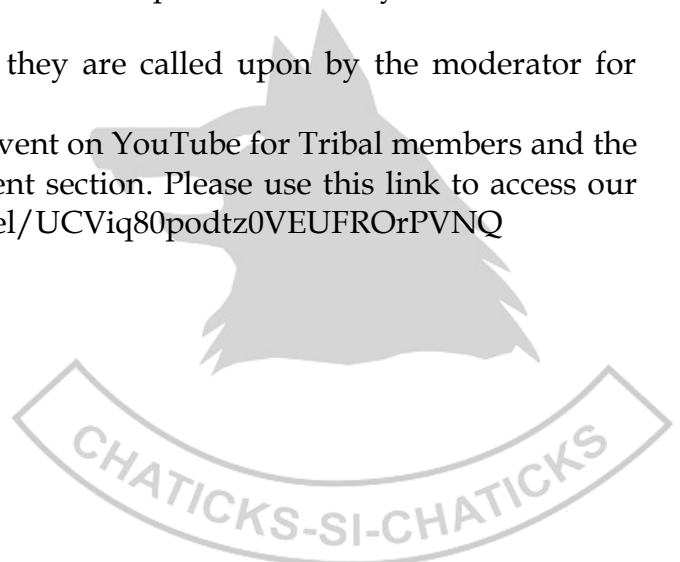
- ✓ Contact Jamie Nelson, Executive Administrative Assistance, via email at [jnelson@pawneenation.org](mailto:jnelson@pawneenation.org) or 918-762-3621 ext. 113 with your name, Tribe, and email addresses of those who wish to attend;
- ✓ Be on the lookout for an email from Microsoft Teams, this may appear in your spam folder;
- ✓ Please log in twenty (20) minutes prior to the workshop to ensure that you are connected correctly;
- ✓ Participates will be placed on mute until they are called upon by the moderator for questions

The Pawnee Nation will also live stream this event on YouTube for Tribal members and the public. All questions can be placed in the comment section. Please use this link to access our page directly, <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCViq80podtz0VEUFROrPVNQ>

With respect,

*Walter R. Echo-Hawk*

Walter R. Echo-Hawk  
President, Pawnee Business Council





# The Implementation Project

Realizing the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples in the United States

## *Implementing the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples: An InterTribal Workshop*

**Pawnee Nation**

**Pawnee, OK | Wednesday, November 10, 2021**

- 8:30-9:00 **Coffee & Breakfast**
- 9:00-9:45 **Welcome & Introductory Address**  
Walter Echo-Hawk, President, Pawnee Nation Business Council
- 9:45-11:00 **The UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples**  
S. James Anaya, University Distinguished Professor, University of Colorado,  
John Echohawk, Executive Director, Native American Rights Fund, and  
Fawn Sharp, President, National Congress of American Indians  
*Moderator:* Sue Noe, Native American Rights Fund
- 11:00-11:15 **Break**
- 11:15-12:15 **The Implementation Project & Tribal Implementation Toolkit**  
Sue Noe, Native American Rights Fund & Kristen Carpenter, University of Colorado
- 12:15-1:15 **Lunch Program: Indigenous Peoples' Rights in Oklahoma: Tribal Leaders, Lawyers, and Judges**  
Chief Ben Barnes, Shawnee Tribe; Judge Greg Bigler, Muscogee (Creek) Nation; Lindsay G.  
Robertson, University of Oklahoma College of Law; Other Speakers TBA  
*Moderator:* Kristen Carpenter, University of Colorado
- 1:15-1:30 **Break**
- 1:30-2:45 **Focus on Tribal Legislative Activities: The Pawnee Nation**  
Walter Echo-Hawk, President Pawnee Nation Business Council; Cynthia Butler, Member, Pawnee  
Nation Business Council; Dawna Hare, Member, Pawnee Nation Business Council
- 2:45-3:00 **Break**
- 3:00-4:00 **The Future: Research Presentations on Use of the Declaration in Advocacy in Emerging Areas**  
Kevin Miller, AILP Fellow, University of Colorado  
Colorado Law Students
- 4:00-4:30 **Conclusion**

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