



DCI America

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APRIL LEADERSHIP SESSION / SAN DIEGO, CA

AGENDA

Tribal Elections: Ordinances & Procedures / \$579

April 20, 2010

Day 1: 9:00 am to 4:30 pm

Constitutional Principles
Constitutional Conflicts
Types of Elections

Definition of Terms
Conflicts of Interest
The Election Board
Voter Qualification & Registration
Voting
Absentee Voting
Methods of Voting
Ballot
Hand
Roll Call
Voice Vote
Election Bylaws & Ordinance

April 21, 2010

Day 2: 9:00 am to 4:30 pm

Polling Place Officials
Locations
Regulations
Campaigning
Electioneering & Loitering at the
Polling Place
Poll Watchers
Counting Ballots, Announcing Results,
& Challenges
Legitimate Reasons for Challenges
Recount Procedures
Tie Votes
Certification
Election Records
Placement of Successful Candidates
Electing the Election Board

This workshop will help to clarify how tribal elections are a primary assertion of self governance and self determination. Problems resulting from the conduct of tribal elections are likely more numerous than any other single issue in the exercise of Indian self-government. Election disputes too often bring the entire operation of a tribe to a halt while both sides debate the issue and attempt to involve some outside government entity (e.g., the Bureau of Indian Affairs in the U.S.) to resolve the dilemma. Improperly conducted elections unfortunately, send a reassuring message to critics of tribal governments: there are tribes that routinely place new officials in office, or decide on issues, with little or no questions raised about the fairness of the elections. This workshop will aid your tribe in developing sound election laws and procedures that will project an image of stability and promote both internal and external respect. The session will help to explain how a smooth transition of power is aided by certain provisions in the Tribal Constitution, including an objective Election Board, an adequate set of procedures, and an effective platform for resolution of election disputes.



\$165
+ 10.5% ROOM TAX
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ADDITIONAL
PER NIGHT

CUT-OFF FOR HOTEL RESERVATIONS:

March 29, 2010

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**Tribal Elections: Ordinances & Procedures
& CALL: 800.221.3802**

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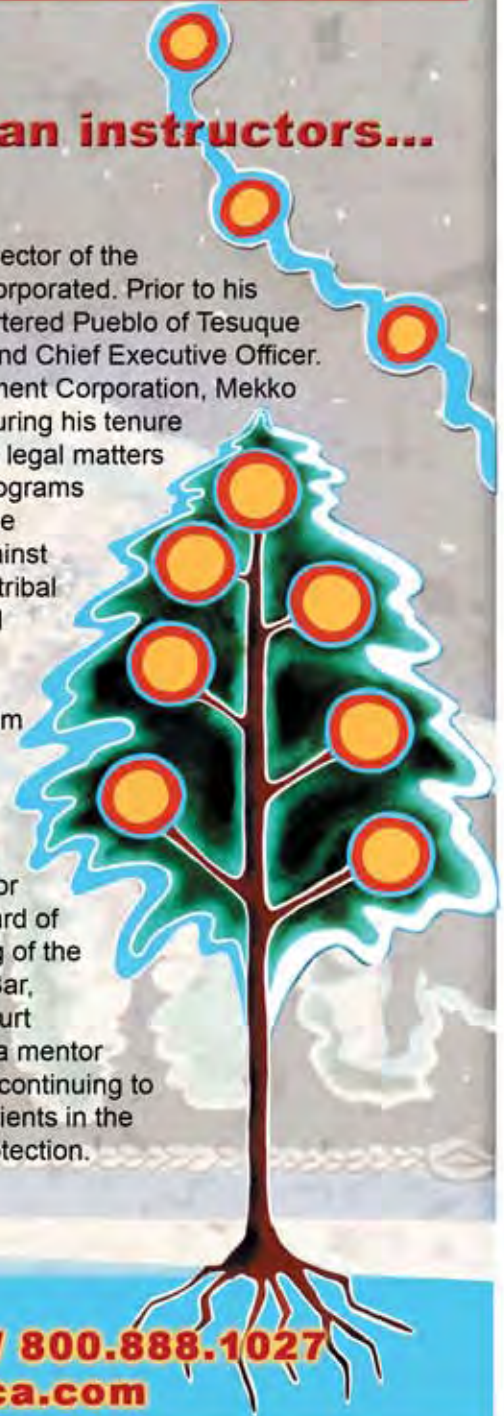
We feature the finest Native American instructors...

Instructor:

Mekko Miller

Mekko currently serves as the Executive Director of the New Mexico Indian Gaming Association Incorporated. Prior to his current role Mekko served the federally chartered Pueblo of Tesuque Development Corporation as its President and Chief Executive Officer. Prior to accepting his role with the Development Corporation, Mekko served as the Pueblo's General Counsel. During his tenure Mekko represented the Pueblo in numerous legal matters and in the creation of tribal agencies and programs including the successful representation of the Pueblo's 2005 cultural properties claims against the City of Santa Fe and in the recent state-tribal gaming compact negotiations ensuring tribal gaming in New Mexico.

Mekko received a BA in Political Science from New Mexico State University and a Juris Doctor from the University of Wyoming College of Law. Mekko currently sits on several Boards as a Director for tribally and non-tribally owned corporations, as a Director to the NM State Bar Indian Law Section Board of Directors, and is a member in good standing of the state Bar of NM, the Federal District Court Bar, District of New Mexico, and several tribal court jurisdictions. Mekko enjoys volunteering as a mentor for Junior Achievement of NM in addition to continuing to offer his legal services pro bono for select clients in the field of domestic violence and consumer protection.



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The Westgate Hotel

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The magnificent location, superior accommodation and impeccable service make the Westgate Hotel an ideal lodging choice for romantic getaway or corporate get together events.

Location

The Westgate Hotel is conveniently located in the heart of San Diego, facing the Horton Plaza Shopping Mall. This charming hotel is within walking distance to the Convention Centre and just a block from the Gaslamp Quarter.

Rooms

The fashionable property has several comfortable and well-furnished guest rooms that are equipped with all modern amenities to make your stay a unique one.

Restaurant

Offering an intimate and romantic atmosphere, the Le Fontainebleau offers contemporary French cuisine for its patrons to feast on. In addition, the hotel also offers a cocktail bar, which is an ideal place for you to relax and enjoy with your interesting cocktails.

General

The Westgate's 17 elegant and exquisite meeting rooms as well as a business centre offer the excellent space and detailed amenities that make any assembly successful. The hotel also offers a state-of-the-art fitness centre to provide relaxation and to restore the body's natural balance.

* BE SURE TO ASK FOR YOUR PARKING VOUCHER !

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For your shopping pleasure and sheer visual stimulation, visit vendors Chris Tafoya of Tafoya Jewelry and Arlene Salt at The Eleventh Annual Native Secretaries' Conference in San Diego.

Native American Jewelry Designer - Chris Tafoya

Chris's contemporary style of Native American Jewelry has been well received by previous DCI America registrants and by Native American Communities at large. His use of traditional material from California Mission Indians, such as, Abalone and Spiney Oyster are blend together in a clean and modern way while still maintaining and respecting tradition.

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Native American Artisan - Arlene Salt

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- * Biking trail
- * Bowling (3 miles)
- * Fly-fishing (10 miles)
- * Hiking
- * Horseback riding (15 miles)
- * Jet-skiing (5 miles)
- * Jogging/fitness trail
- * Kayaking (15 miles)
- * Miniature golf
- * Mountain biking, trail (5 miles)
- * Nature preserve, trail
- * Rock climbing (10 miles)
- * Sailing (5 miles)
- * Scuba diving
- * Snorkeling (15 miles)
- * Squash (0.2 miles)
- * Surfing
- * Tennis (0.5 miles)
- * Volleyball
- * Water-skiing (10 miles)



SO MUCH TO DO, SO LITTLE TIME

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