Phoenix, AZ. – The National Native American Bar Association (NNABA) announces the launch of a first-of-its-kind research study on Native American attorneys. This research will enhance the full understanding and inclusion of Native American attorneys.

NNABA will focus its research on providing a picture of the issues confronting Native American attorneys across all settings including private practice; government practice in state, federal and tribal arenas; the judiciary; corporate legal departments; and academia. Ultimately, the findings from this study will be used to develop educational materials and programs that will help improve the recruitment, hiring, retention and advancement of Native American attorneys in the legal profession.

“This exciting new project – a comprehensive research project on Native American attorneys – will examine their perspectives, experiences, and career trajectories,” said Mary Smith, NNABA President.

For more information on the study and how to contribute, go to http://www.nativeamericanbar.org/native-american-attorney-study/. The net proceeds will be used to fund the Research Initiative. NNABA plans to energize the business and legal communities to further improve the status of Native Americans in the legal profession because it is in the best interest of the profession to do so.

Founded in 1973, NNABA serves as the national association for American Indian, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian attorneys, judges, law professors and law students. NNABA strives for justice and effective legal representation for all American indigenous peoples; fosters the development of Native American lawyers and judges;
and addresses social, cultural and legal issues affecting American Indians, Alaska Natives, and Native Hawaiians.

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