National Native American Bar Association 2025 Annual Meeting Sponsorship Packet

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### Greetings

We are excited to welcome you to the National Native American Bar Association (NNABA) 2025 Annual Meeting, on Wednesday, June 11, 2025 at the OKANA resort in Oklahoma City. We are trying something different this year and hosting our annual gathering apart from the Federal Bar Association's Annual Indian Law Conference. Instead, our annual meeting will immediately precede the Sovereignty Symposium (June 12-13), an annual Indian Law gathering hosted by the Oklahoma City University School of Law. It is the first time our annual meeting will be in Oklahoma, and we are thrilled to be there. Please note that NNABA's activities remain distinct from the Sovereignty Symposium. If you plan to attend the NNABA Annual Meeting, including our Justice is Medicine Dinner, kindly register separately.

Our meeting program has been thoughtfully crafted to address pressing issues concerning Native justice and inclusion within the legal profession. We thank our esteemed speakers who are generously volunteering their time to provide this program to our members. We aim to create a platform for meaningful discussions and collaboration among Native bars and our valued members. On the following pages, you will find detailed information about sponsorship opportunities.

At our Justice is Medicine Dinner, we will recognize exceptional legal leaders and announce our NNABA scholarships to graduating Native law students. We will also have the honor of hearing from award-winning author and former Poet Laureate of the United States, Joy Harjo.

We invite you to join us at this important event, and if you're able, please consider supporting NNABA and our work to fulfill its mission through sponsorship. Your contributions will not only help make this annual gathering a success but will also ensure NNABA can continue its work uplifting Natives in the law and justice for Native communities throughout the next bar year.

All contributions aid NNABA in organizing our meetings, funding scholarships for law students through the NNABA foundation, and maintaining NNABA's vital programs throughout the year. You can find more information about registration and sponsorship on the following pages.

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## **About The Event**

NNABA convenes its annual gathering each year, uniting Native American attorneys, judges, law students, and legal professionals for networking, advancing professional growth, and advocating for relevant causes. This event serves as a pivotal platform to gain insights into contemporary Indian law matters, establish connections with peers, and celebrate the achievements of Native American legal practitioners. Moreover, support for this gathering empowers NNABA's ability to deliver vital programs year-round that benefit Native lawyers and communities.

Your support enables NNABA's:

- advocacy to advance native representation in judicial roles in partnership with NARF and NCAI;
- law student bar preparation scholarship program in collaboration with the NNABA Foundation;
- leadership development initiative with the ABA and other national affinity bars known as the Collaborative Bar Leadership Academy (CBLA); and
- policy advocacy efforts, including NNABA's more than 30 years of collaboration with sister national bars of color at the Coalition of Bar Associations of Color (CBAC), and across the ABA including in the House of Delegates.





# We look forward to seeing you!









## Event Overview



Tuesday, J	une 10

Evening welcome reception hosted by the Oklahoma Indian Bar Association at the National Native American Hall of Fame (adjacent to OKANA)

Wednesday, June 11 9:00 am to 5:00 pm NNABA Annual Meeting Events, including

- Native Voting Rights Summit 2.0
- Sponsors Roundtable
- LGBTQ+ Two Spirit Program
- NNABA Annual Member Business Meeting and Board Elections
- Presentation of NNABA Strategic Plan
- NNABA Affiliate Roundtable

6:00 pm to 7:00 pm	Reception
7:00 pm to 9:00 pm	Justice is Medicine Celebration & Awards Dinner, including presentation by Joy Harjo



# Sponsorship Opportunities



The NNABA Board crafted our sponsorship framework, incorporating meaningful words from our native languages that reflect our community's values and mission. You can choose an option that resonates with you or contact us for a custom option that aligns better with your support for NNABA, native justice, and Native professionals. **Sponsors receive reserved dinner seats** and recognition in event marketing materials, online, and throughout the bar year as full-year NNABA sponsors. NNABA also welcomes collaboration opportunities with sponsors on future projects and events to create additional value for our organizations. For inquiries or to commit to sponsorship, along with receiving an invoice and W9 form, please reach out to NNABA at info@nativeamericanbar.org.

#### Nibwaakaawin (Ojibwe): wisdom and intelligence

Nibwaakaawin sponsors support NNABA's work to develop and share legal and cultural knowledge and experience within the native legal community and the legal profession. These efforts enable the development of wisdom and judgment critically needed to advance justice for native communities and native success in the legal profession. **Gift: \$10,000.** 

#### SSY (Gadugi, Cherokee): to work together

SSY sponsors value and support NNABA's work creating space and community for native attorneys and allies. Within this special community, we can share, nurture productive relationships, and work together for native justice and native excellence in the legal profession. **Gift: \$5,000.** 

#### Onipa'a ('Olelo Hawai'i): steadfast

Onipa'a sponsors celebrate NNABA's steadfast commitment to advancing native people in the legal profession and justice for native communities. Onipa'a sponsors are also onipa'a—steadfast in their support for NNABA and our national community of native lawyers. **Gift: \$2,500.** 

#### Kijire Nagu (Winnebago/Ho-Chunk): to help on life's journey

Kijire Nagu sponsors deeply value the relationships NNABA enables native attorneys to create and nurture across the profession so that we can be helpers to each other and our communities. **Gift: \$1,500.** 

#### Herome (Muscogee/Creek): generous, kind, or giving

Herome sponsors honor indigenous people's traditional gifting ways as fundamental to our culture and one way that we take care of each other. They inspire generosity in all our efforts. **Gift: \$750.** 

## Sponsorship Opportunities (continued)



#### **Sponsor Dinner Tickets**

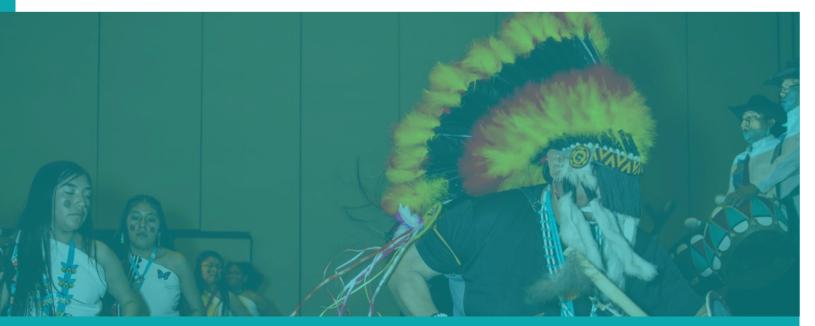
Sponsors at the \$2500 level or above are welcome to fill a 10-seat table. Sometimes, however, a sponsor will have far fewer than 10 people attend the meeting. **If you will not use all your table seats, we ask that you let us know and allow us to offer unused seats to other members.** This will help avoid significant waste and be more inclusive. Sponsors at the \$750 and \$1500 level will receive up to three dinner tickets.

#### How to Register:

- Contact us to arrange your sponsorship at info@nativeamericanbar.org.
- We will provide you with an invoice and W-9 if needed.
- You return payment, provide a copy of your logo for event materials, and confirm how many seats you would like held for your meeting attendees and guests.
- We will put a hold on the number of seats you need and give you a promo code that can be used to register your guests.
- Please tell your guests not to register until they have their promo code, so that they do not have to pay individually. Sponsor guests do not pay when registering. Your sponsor promo code provides a 100% discount.

#### Accommodations:

NNABA Annual Meeting attendees can reserve rooms at OKANA on Tuesday, June 10 and Wednesday, June 11 by calling (800)-547-3928 and mentioning the Sovereignty Symposium. Book soon to ensure availability.



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### Thank you. We are grateful for your support.

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