



**INDIAN CHILD WELFARE ACT:**  
**WHAT PARENTS' ATTORNEYS NEED TO KNOW**  
**PART 2 IN A MULTI-PART SERIES**

**Training Hosted by:**

National Child Welfare Resource Center on Legal and Judicial Issues

**Training Presented by:**

ABA National Project to Improve Representation for Parents in Child Welfare Cases

**TUESDAY, APRIL 10, 12:00 TO 1:30 PM EST**

Join us for a **free web-based training** for parents' attorneys which will provide:

- An in-depth review and discussion of the Qualified Expert Witness requirements of the ICWA
- Legal requirements of QEW testimony -- When is it required? What must it cover? Who qualifies? How do you deal with a QEW?
- Historical perspective and context for the Qualified Expert Witness requirements
- Sample case stories, litigation strategies, and lines of questioning for Qualified Expert Witnesses
- This training also will provide information on motions to invalidate, burdens of proof, and active efforts required in cases involving Indian families.

**Presenters**

**Judge Anita Fineday** is the Managing Director of the Indian Child Welfare Program for the Casey Family Programs. She previously served as the Chief Judge for the White Earth Tribal Nation for 14 years. She holds a Master's degree in Public Administration from the Harvard University's Kennedy School of Government and a Juris Doctorate from the University of Colorado School of Law. She has previously served as an associate judge for the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe and the Grand Portage Band of Chippewa. She has also taught federal Indian law and policy at the tribal college, university and law school levels. She is an enrolled member of the White Earth Tribal Nation.

**Ann Gilmour** is an attorney with the Judicial Council of California, Administrative Office of the Courts, Center for Families, Children and the Courts, working with the Tribal Project Unit. Her work with the Tribal Project Unit includes a focus on improving compliance with ICWA. Ms. Gilmour has close to twenty years experience in the field of Indian law practicing first in British Columbia where she did aboriginal rights and title litigation. Since moving to California in 1999 she has continued to work in the field of Indian law, including representing tribes and individuals in cases involving ICWA.

**Margaret A. Burt** is an attorney in private practice in Rochester, New York. For thirty years she has specialized in the representation of children, parents and child welfare agencies in trial court and appellate practice. A substantial amount of her practice involves consulting and training for lawyers, judges, caseworkers and service providers all around the country on such issues as the Adoption and Safe Families Act, the Indian Child Welfare Act, the Multi-Ethnic Placement Act, confidentiality, the representation of children and trial techniques. She also consults on legislation connected to child welfare issues.

## **Registration**

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Registration is limited to the first 300 people who request to register.

If you have questions about registration, please contact Scott Trowbridge at:

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