

AILC PLSI Homecoming
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The Future of Tribal Courts – A Forum for Safety: TLOA, VAWA, or NADA



Moderated: David Adams

Panelists: Matthew Fletcher, Roshanna Toya, Justice Drent, Josett Monette



Introduction

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Brief breakdown of this session and overview of perceived issues.



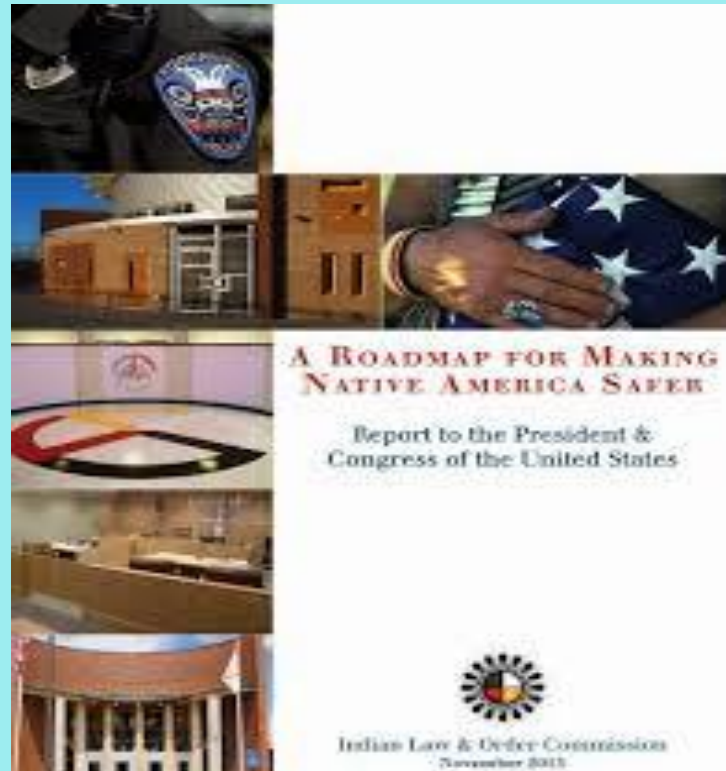
What do you believe to be the most important role that Tribal Courts play in your respective community?



Do you think that creating a national criminal database for our Courts would be helpful, why or why not?



Should we leave felony prosecution to the
Feds or retain and exercise our sovereign
authority? Then why have most Tribes not
adopted or implemented VAWA and TLOA?



Funding seems to be an issue for implementing certain acts, laws, or procedures in our court system. Do you have any suggestions on how to confront this issue?



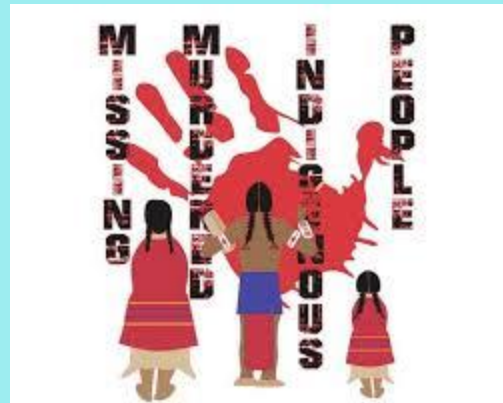
Let's discuss Victim's rights.



The declination rate of felony related crime from the BJA is approximately 50-60% - how should our sovereign government respond to this?



MMIP related issues, cases, trainings, advocacy, has increased significantly over the years - why did it take us so long to respond to this crisis?



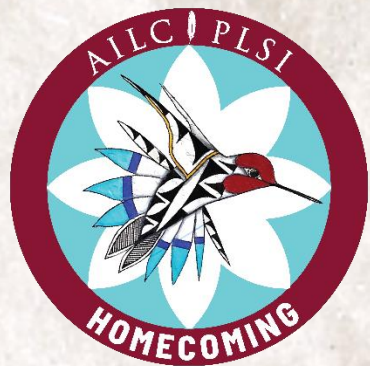
It seems like there is limited legal advocacy available to litigants in Tribal Court – how do you handle that:

- a) more lay advocates
- b) more zoom hearings
- c) what else?



Is judicial retention an
issue in your opinion?





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