



CTAS Purpose Area #3 Grantee Training and Technical Assistance (T/TA)

Resource List — Appellate

- **Alaska Tribal Justice Resource Center (atjrc.org):**
 - [Sample Judicial Code: Alaska Tribe](#) (with Tribal Court of Appeals): This sample code can be modified to fit specific tribal court needs, including the structure of tribal court and appellate courts.
 - [Appellate Courts: How to Ensure a Fair and Impartial Tribunal](#): This PowerPoint focuses on appellate courts and how a tribe can be designed to ensure fair and impartial processes that enhance due process and tribal values.

- **American Bar Association (americanbar.org):**
 - [Publications](#)
This is a link to ABA resources for judges in general as well as appellate resources including Appellate Issues, a publication of the Council of Appellate Lawyers.
 - [Appellate Judges Conference](#)
The Appellate Judges Conference (AJC) is the Judicial Divisions home to state and federal appellate judges, appellate staff attorneys, and appellate lawyers dedicated to an efficient and independent judiciary.
 - [The Judges' Journal, "Tribal Courts", Volume 59, Number 2 \(May 2020\)](#)
This is a resource of other publications and articles related to tribal justice.

- **Confederated Salish & Kootenai Tribes of the Flatbed Reservation Appellate Court (csktribes.org):**
 - [Appellate Court](#)
This is a link to the Tribe's appellate court and other resources including opinions and rules of procedure.

- **LibGuides at Brooklyn Law School (BrookLaw.edu):**
 - [Tribal Court Decisions - Native American Law - LibGuides at Brooklyn Law School](#)
A research guide to support Native American Law including publicly accessible Tribal Court appellate decisions and other publications.



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- **National Conference of Appellate Court Clerks (appellatecourtclerks.org)**
 - [Appellate Court Web Sites - National Conference of Appellate Court Clerks](#)
The site contains useful information such as opinions, argument schedules, and order lists, as well as information about the appellate court justices and procedure.
- **National Tribal Judicial Center | Appellate Skills for Tribal Judges (judges.org):**
 - [Additional Tribal Course Topics - The National Judicial College](#)
Catalog of educational training courses for Tribal Court Judges.
- **Northwest Intertribal Court System (NICS)(www.nics.ws):**
 - [Northwest Intertribal Court System – Tribal Appellate Court Opinions](#)
This is a link to a website that Tribal Court Appellate Opinions from various tribes, and code publishing.
- **Seattle University School of Law— American Indian Law Journal(digitalcommons.law.seattleu.edu/ailj):**
 - [Smith, Gregory D. J.D., "A Streamlined Model of Tribal Appellate Court Rules for Lay Advocates and Pro Se Litigants," American Indian Law Journal: Volume 4: Issue 1, Article 4 \(2015\)](#)
This Article addresses some of these problems by proposing rules, giving examples of how an appeal brief should look, and defining key terms the non-lawyer will encounter during the tribal court appeals process.
- **Southwest Intertribal Court of Appeals (SWITCA)(ailc-inc.org/our-work/switca):**
 - [Southwest Intertribal Court of Appeals \(SWITCA\) | American Indian Law Center, Inc. \(AILC\)](#)
SWITCA is an impartial appellate court forum for the review of tribal court decisions. It also provides training, technical assistance, legal research, and support services.
 - [SWITCA Rules of Appellate Procedure \(SWITCARA\)](#)
Provides links to several rules of procedure applying to various cases.



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- [Sample Resolution Authorizing the Southwest Intertribal Court of Appeals](#)
Sample Resolution Authorizing the Southwest Intertribal Court of Appeals to act as the Tribal Court of Appeals
- [SWITCA Self-Help Guide to Appeals from Tribal Court](#)
This is a Self-Help Guide to Appeals from Tribal Court.
- [SWITCA Reporter](#)
A resource compilation of SWITCA judicial decisions.
- **Tribal Law and Policy Institute(TLPI)(tribal-institute.org):**
 - [Tribal Court Decisions:](#)
Resource of court decisions from various tribes and appellate courts, including opinions, orders, and precedent case law.
- **Tulalip Tribes Appellate Court (tulaliptribes-nsn.gov):**
 - [Tulalip Tribal Court | | Home – General Court Info – Appellate Court](#)
This is a link to the Tribal website describing the Tribe’s appellate process and appellate Court.
 - [Tulalip Tribal Court | | Home – Forms and Filings – Court Forms](#)
This is a link to the Tribal website and the forms used for appeals, as well as other court related forms.
- **University of Minnesota Law School(<https://law.umn.edu/>):**
 - [Tribal Law - American Indian Law Research Guide - Research Guides at University of Minnesota Law Library](#)
This is a resource that includes books, articles, news, treaties, statutes, legislation, case law, and administrative law sources as well as other sources related to tribal law such as organizations and associations.
- **University of South Dakota Knudson School of Law (usd.edu):**
 - [Opinions by Tribal Court - Tribal Justice: 25 Years as a Tribal Appellate Justice - Frank Pommersheim - LibGuides at University of South Dakota School of Law](#)
This is the web component for Professor Pommersheim's most recent book, Tribal Justice: 25 Years as a Tribal Appellate Justice.



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- **University of Washington — Gallagher Law Library (law.UW.edu):**
 - [Tribal Court Decisions - Indian & Tribal Law - University of Washington Law Library](#)
Resources for researching Federal Indian Law and Tribal Law



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