



2008 NARF Boulder Summer Law Clerks: (Brandy Tripp Toelupe; Jordan Zendejas and Saza Osawa)

NATIVE AMERICAN LAW CLERK PROGRAM THRIVING – THANKS TO LOCAL & NATIONAL SUPPORT

Boulder, CO September 24, 2008 – The Native American Rights Fund (NARF) once again completed a successful summer law clerk program, thanks to generous support of \$6,400 from the University of Denver Sturm College of Law. In addition the Confederated Tribe of Siletz Indians, through the Siletz Tribal Charitable Contribution Fund, contributed \$6,500 to the program. These gifts sponsored the cost of two law clerk positions for NARF 2008 Summer Law Clerk Program.

NARF relies on its law clerks to assist achieving its mission of defending the most important rights of Indian tribes and individuals through legal advocacy. NARF is committed to the professional development of new attorneys in the field of Indian law. Each year the organization conducts a nationwide search for law school students to participate in its clerkship and internship programs in all three of its offices. The NARF summer law clerkship is a 10 to 12 week program for students who have completed their second year of law school and share the dedication and commitment to the advancement of Indian country.

This year's University of Denver Native American Rights Fund clerk was Brandy Tripp Toelupe (Native Hawaiian) who is in her third year of law school at the University of Denver Sturm College of Law. The 2008 Siletz Law Clerk was Saza Osawa (Makah) a 3L at the University of Washington School of Law. Other NARF summer clerks included Jordan Zendejas (Omaha Tribe of Nebraska), J. Reuben Clark Law School

Brigham Young University; Naomi Bebo (Ho-Chunk) University of California-Los Angeles School of Law; and Geoffery Stauffer, University of Arizona College of Law.

NARF also extends our gratitude to the Everett Public Service Internship Program and the law firm of Fredericks, Peebles & Morgan LLP for their support of this year's program. To learn more about NARF and its programs or to make a contribution contact Amy Bowers at (303) 447-8760 or visit www.narf.org .