

CEDAR WILKIE GILLETTE

Education

Vermont Law School

Juris Doctor

May 2017

- *Vermont Law School Diversity Award*

University of Minnesota-Morris

Bachelor of Arts in Applied Social Justice and Human Rights Activism

December 2006

Employment

Vermont Law School

Adjunct Law Professor

12/2021 to Present

- Teaching Native Americans and the Law, a three-credit Spring term course.

GAP Solutions, Inc.

U.S. Attorney's Office District of Oregon Missing and Murdered Indigenous Persons Coordinator

06/2020 to Present

- Serving as a federal contractor and appointed as the first Missing and Murdered Indigenous Persons ("MMIP") Coordinator at the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Oregon promoting the objectives of the 2019 U.S. Department of Justice MMIP Initiative, along with 10 MMIP Coordinators in other districts.
- Coordinating and collaborating with tribal, state, and federal law enforcement, victim services, government and non-government partners, and all MMIP stakeholders to support existing MMIP cases, develop and implement regional guidelines, and data collection.
- Leading one of six MMIP Pilot Projects in the U.S. to partner with one Oregon Tribe to develop the MMIP Community Outreach, Law Enforcement Response, Public and Media Communications, and Victim Services Draft Guides into a Tribal Community Response Plan.
- Served on the Presidential Task Force on Missing and Murdered American Indians and Alaska Natives, known as Operation Lady Justice, MMIP National Working Groups to develop the Pilot Project MMIP Draft Guides as part of MMIP national strategy.
 - Co-Chair of Community Outreach National Working Group and authored the *Community Outreach MMIP Draft Guide*.
 - MMIP Coordinator Point of Contact of the Public and Media Communications National Working Group.
- Authored inaugural District of Oregon Annual MMIP Program Report that included an initial assessment of current MMIP data connected to Oregon and a 2021 MMIP Action Plan.

Earthjustice, Northern Rockies Office

Post-Graduate Law Fellow for Native American Partnerships

11/2017 to 11/2019

- Served as the first Law Fellow for Native American Partnerships with a lead role in a two-year project in the Northern Rockies and Plains regions focusing on building a broad and diverse coalition that collaboratively lays the groundwork for environmental justice and a healthier environment on tribal and public lands.
- Planned, facilitated, and co-sponsored a 2018 Citizen NEPA Workshop on the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation.

- Served as an Earthjustice and Indigenous Environmental Network Representative on an International Feminist Organizing School curriculum committee to design Indigenous environmental feminist perspective curriculum for International and Indigenous Feminist Organizing Schools located across the globe.

United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (“PFII”)

01/2017 to 05/2017

Law Intern

- Shadowed and interned with the PFII Vice Chair and North American Representative. Researched and authored a legal memorandum about PFII’s scope and effectiveness in addressing Human Rights issues that affect Native American women.

Earthjustice, Northeast Office

06/2016 to 08/2016

Law Clerk

- Researched and composed legal memorandums, applied Federal Indian Law, Administrative Procedure Act, Clean Air Act, Clean Water Act, and the Title VI Complaint Procedure to specific legal issues, and a Partnership Outreach Committee member.

VLS Center For Applied Human Rights

01/2016 to 05/2016

Applied Human Rights Fellow

- Researched and developed a memorandum for an NGO on strengths and weaknesses of Human Rights Law mechanisms to address violence against Indigenous women and its link to extractive energy industry.

VLS Environmental Advocacy Clinic

05/2015 to 08/2015

Student Clinician

- Composed client memorandums, contributed to litigation development, coordinated client communications, researched case law and non-legal supportive material, applied National Environmental Policy Act, National Historic Preservation Act, Administrative Procedure Act, and Federal Rules of Appellate Procedure to specific legal issues.

Three Affiliated Tribes Victim Services

05/2012 to 10/2013

Tribal Victim Advocate

- Met and performed intakes with potential clients reporting domestic violence, sexual assault, and elder abuse on the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation.
- Assisted clients, as needed, with accessing a wide range of services including emergency food, shelter, gas, transportation, medical assistance, protection orders, and tribal program referrals.
- Accompanied and spoke on behalf of clients in tribal court to obtain permanent protection orders and testified in federal court in federally charged offender cases.
- Served as a Presenter and Spokesperson on the impact of oil development on violence against Native American women.
- Certified in *Victim Advocacy, Sexual Assault Awareness, Safety and Injury Prevention, Crimes Against Women, and Parenting*.

Honor The Earth, White Earth Land Recovery Project

02/2007 to 05/2007

Environmental Justice Intern

- Interned simultaneously for both Native American environmental justice nonprofits on the White Earth Band of Chippewa Reservation.
- Researched projects for environmental education and awareness.
- Certified in Solar Energy International's course, *Appropriate Technologies for Developing Countries*, Chiapas, Mexico.