

## R. Daniel Carter

Principal

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Drawing upon his deep knowledge of Native American law, including his unique insights into the federal government's relations with tribal nations, Daniel serves as a trusted advisor to his clients in a wide array of transactional and litigation matters.

Daniel focuses on advising clients in matters involving federal Indian law, Tribal law, renewable and nonrenewable energy, and federal regulatory compliance. He has extensive experience in litigation matters in federal, Tribal and state courts, including cases of first impression in federal appellate and tribal supreme courts.

Daniel also represents clients in administrative appeals, such as cases before the Interior Board of Indian Appeals, and in alternative dispute proceedings.

Demonstrating his broad expertise working with tribes, Daniel uniquely serves as the Attorney General for two federally recognized Indian tribes in Oklahoma. His expertise includes tribal sovereign rights, economic development, jurisdictional disputes, commercial transactions, casino financing, treaty rights, energy development, real estate, and government contracting.

He previously served as counsel for the U.S. Senate Committee on Indian Affairs where he worked on landmark federal legislation, such as VAWA and the HEARTH Act, with a particular focus on natural resource development on federal and Indian

### Services

Litigation  
Appellate  
Environmental Litigation  
Tribal Governments & Enterprises

### Admissions

Oklahoma  
U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Oklahoma  
U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Oklahoma  
U.S. District Court for the Western District of Oklahoma  
U.S. Court of Appeals for the 10th Circuit  
U.S. Supreme Court of the United States  
Cherokee Nation Tribal Court  
Kaw Nation Tribal Court  
Muscogee (Creek)  
Nation Tribal Court  
Quapaw Nation Tribal Court  
Sac and Fox Nation Tribal

lands. Daniel is recognized by Super Lawyers, Best Lawyers and Chambers USA as an outstanding attorney in his fields of practice.

Court

Daniel grew up in Pawhuska, Oklahoma, the heart of the Osage Indian Reservation, and is an enrolled member of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation, a federally recognized Indian Tribe. Outside of work, Daniel is an active leader in the community. He serves on the Greater Tulsa Area Indian Affairs Commission, which is a group of Native American community leaders appointed to advance Native American culture, services and relations within the Tulsa community.

## Education

J.D., University of California, Los Angeles School of Law, 2011

B.S., Oklahoma State University, (*summa cum laude*), 2008

- Business Administration
- Economics and Legal Studies

## Honors & Recognition

*Chambers USA* (Oklahoma), Leading Individual, Native American Law, 2021

*Best Lawyers in America*<sup>®</sup>, “Ones to Watch” Energy Law, and Native American Law 2020-present

UCLA Law, Native Nations Law & Policy Center, Alumnus of the Year, 2024

Rising Star, Oklahoma Super Lawyers, 2020-present

## Professional Activities

American Bar Association, Member

Federal Bar Association, Indian Law Section, Member

Greater Tulsa Area Indian Affairs Commission, Vice Chair

Native American Bar Association, Member

Tulsa County Bar Association, Member

### **Community Activities**

Tulsa Lawyers for Children, Board of Directors

### **News**

R. Daniel Carter Elected as Vice Chair of the Greater Tulsa Area Indian Affairs Commission  
3.13.24

Celebrating R. Daniel Carter: UCLA Native Nations Law & Policy Center's 2024 Alumnus of the Year  
*Foster Garvey Newsroom*, 3.13.24

Foster Garvey Announces Opening of Tulsa Office  
1.31.24

Foster Garvey Welcomes R. Daniel Carter as Principal in the Firm's Tribal Government Practice  
9.7.23

### **Speaking Engagements**

"Unlocking the Legal Landscape for Energy Production in Indian Country: Understanding Important Reporting, Notice, and Approval Requirements for Oil and Gas Production on Indian Lands," The Foundation for Natural Resources and Energy Law Journal  
Event  
6.28.24

"Practical Considerations for Operating on Indian Lands," Special Institute on Natural Resource and Energy Development in Indian Country  
Event  
Wild Horse Pass Resort, Chandler Arizona, 11.2.23

### **Legal Alerts**

Patent Office Raises IP Questions for Tribes  
11.29.23

## **Experience**

### **Tribal Governmental Representation**

Indian Treaty and Sovereignty Rights  
Tribal Trust Land Acquisitions and Disputes  
Intergovernmental Agreements and Compacts  
Internal Tribal Governmental Affairs  
Breach-of-Trust Litigation  
Tribal Code Drafting  
Tort Defense  
Native American Cultural Properties and Religious Freedoms

### **Indian Country Business Representation**

Indian Gaming  
Native American Business and Casino Financing  
Bureau of Indian Affairs Transactions and Appeals  
Native American Lending Enterprises  
Governmental Contracting and 8(a) Certifications  
Tribal Sovereign Immunity  
Construction Agreements and Disputes  
Business Formation and Acquisitions

### **Renewable and Nonrenewable Energy**

Federal and Indian Mineral Leases  
Wind and Solar Energy Transactions  
Rights-of-Way Across Federal and Indian Lands  
Federal Regulatory and Permitting Requirements  
Environmental Matters and Regulatory Compliance  
Native American and Tribal Consultation  
Royalties and Reporting Requirements