John Echowhawk: Native Americans and Constitutional Law

October 20th 11:30-12:30 PM Hutchins Hall 250

Purpose and Objectives
The purpose of this event was to educate the University of Michigan community about the development of Federal Indian Law and its context within the Constitution. Native American Rights Fund (NARF) Executive Director John Echowhawk and University of Michigan Law Professor Matthew Fletcher spoke during a Q&A session detailing much of John's decades of litigation experience and perspective on the how Native American Peoples have used the law to preserve and develop self-determination, cultural protection, and natural resource protection since the beginning of his career in the 1970's.

Attendee Feedback
"The event was an incredible opportunity to hear from someone who has been so fundamental to the fight for rights of Native Americans—not only because of the importance of his work in the field, but also because of the influence his career has and will continue to have on our country as a whole.”
Olivia R - Law Student

Highlights
We were able to partner with the American Constitution Society another student organization within the law school to bring this legendary figure in both Native American advocacy and law generally. We brought together attendees that included graduate and undergraduate students from other departments, faculty, and distinguished members of the law community outside of the law school.

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