



First Annual Tribal Elections Conference

March 1-2, 2022 Hilton Hotel & Resort, Palm Springs, CA

Registration Fee **\$799** Group Discounts Available Upon Request

Our Keynote speaker J. Ray Kennedy, a leader in the field of international electoral assistance since 1990 during which time he also worked with The Carter Center's Democracy Program on a number of election-related projects, including observation of the Muscogee (Creek) elections in 2019. Since receiving his PhD in Latin American Studies from Johns Hopkins/SAIS in 2000, he has served in a variety of senior roles in the United Nations System's electoral support activities. Currently, Mr. Kennedy serves as a member of California's Citizens Redistricting Commission.

Topics to be included:

- How to automate your entire election process
- Cyber-Security in the Digital Age
Presented by John Seibel, President of TrueBallot: a practicing attorney (George Washington U., 1980), John Seibel has conducted numerous elections and referendum ballots for labor unions since 1993. He has been on the national advisory board of the Voting Integrity Project, a non-profit, non-partisan organization that examines and advocates for the integrity of the voting process. He has co-designed and developed all of the TrueBallot voting systems. He oversees the design and procedures of each election.
- Tribal Elections Policies & Procedures
Presented by James Mills President of CSN/ DCI America who has been helping tribes have fair and honest elections throughout Indian Country for more than 30 years, through development and revision of election codes.
- Poll Watching
Presented by Brenda Brainard, Senior Instructor, CSN/DCI America
Brenda Brainard is an enrolled member The Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians in Coos Bay Oregon and is a DCI workshop facilitator and presenter on issues related to Indian law & ethics, tribal judicial systems, land rights, Robert's Rules of Order and the Indian Child Welfare Act As well as tribal enrollment, Elections and strategic planning, Brainard holds a law degree from the University of Oregon (1981), has served as a tribal administrator and has worked for the BIA as a Tribal Government Services Officer. She's also an avid weaver.
- Revising your Tribal Elections Ordinance
Presented by James Mills, President of CSN/ DCI America

This is an outstanding opportunity to meet with and learn from your counterparts from tribes across Indian Country. Impartial, credible elections are an important factor in shaping perceptions about the quality and legitimacy of your electoral processes as well as maintaining your sovereignty.

NOTE: You will need to bring all Governing Documents covering elections and a laptop to this session. If you come in a group, only one laptop and one set of Governing Documents is required for your group.

Continental Breakfast & Networking Opportunity 8-9AM each day

Lunch provided on Day One Conference 9AM-4PM each day

Agenda

Day 1: 8 AM –Continental Breakfast provided by CDN/DCI

9 AM – 9:20 – Introduction by James Mills

9:20 AM – 10:30 AM – **Constitutional Principles & Conflicts**-James Mills, President, CSN/DCI America

10:30 AM – 10:45 AM – Break

10:45 AM – **Noon Keynote Speaker** J. Ray Kennedy

Noon – 1:15 PM Lunch Sponsored by CSN/DCIAmerica

1:15 PM – 4 PM – Breakout Workshops

Election Software, Cyber Security- John Seibel, TrueBallot

1:15 PM – 4 PM - **Polling and Customer Service for your Poll Watchers**- Brenda Brainard, Senior Presenter, CSN/DCI America

Day 2: 8 AM – 9 AM Continental Breakfast Provided by CDN/DCIAmerica

9 - Noon Breakout Workshops

Election Software - John Seibel, TrueBallot

Polling and Customer Service for your Poll Watchers- Brenda Brainard, Senior Presenter, CSN/DCI America

Noon – 1:15 PM - Lunch on your own

1:15 PM – 4 PM General Session- James Mills, President CSN/ DCI America

Everything you need to know about Elections:

Recount Procedures, Tie Votes

Certification, Election Records

Placement of Successful Candidates

Electing or Placing the Election Board

Q & A , Conclusion

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