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Services

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Bree Black Horse is an enrolled member of the of the Seminole Nation of Oklahoma and she focuses her practice on Native American affairs and litigation.

Prior to joining the firm, Bree represented individual, governmental, and corporate clients in tribal, state, and federal trial and appellate courts. She gained experience in a wide range of cases including criminal and civil proceedings involving civil rights, personal injury, property, employment, environmental, family and business law. Previously, Bree served as a law clerk to the Honorable Brian M. Morris in the U.S. District Court for the District of Montana in Great Falls, Montana.

While attending law school, Bree was a Co-Founder and Editor-In-Chief of the *American Indian Law Journal* and President of the Native American Law Students Association. She worked as a Youth Advocate and Case Manager for United Indians of All Tribes Foundation where she worked with formerly homeless young adults in transitional housing to achieve their professional and educational goals. Bree also served as a judicial extern to Chief Judge Theresa M. Pouley in the Tulalip Tribal Court and as a legal clerk in of the Office of Tribal Justice at the U.S. Department of Justice in Washington, D.C.

Bree was recognized as a Washington “Rising Star” in 2021 and the three years immediately preceding for Native American Law by *Super Lawyers* magazine. She was also recognized in 2022 as one of the "Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch" for Native American Law by *The Best Lawyers in America*®. Bree is a 2019 recipient of the Public Service and Leadership Award from the Washington Young Lawyers Committee of the Washington State Bar Association. The National Center for American Indian Economic Development recognized Bree with its “40 Under 40” Award in 2016.

Education

Seattle University School of Law J.D. (2013) *Douglas R. Nash Native American Law Scholar*

Seattle Pacific University B.A. (2010) Political Science and Government



Admissions

Washington (2014)

Court Admissions

Chehalis Tribal Court

Hoopa Valley Tribal Court

Hualapai Tribal Court

Muckleshoot Tribal Court

Nisqually Tribal Court

Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribal Court

Spirit Lake Tribal Court

Tulalip Tribal Court

U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Washington

U.S. District Court for the Western District of Washington

Yakama Nation Tribal Court

Clerkships

U.S. District Court for the District of Montana - Honorable Brian M. Morris (Aug 2014-Jul 2015)

Professional & Community Activities

Washington State Bar Association, Member

Washington State Bar Association, Indian Law Section, Secretary/Treasurer

ACLU Washington Foundation, Member

ACLU Washington Foundation, Legal Committee, Chair

National Native American Bar Association Foundation, Board Member

Yakima County Bar Association, Member

Insights

[Perspectives](#)

Native American Heritage Month 2021

November 1, 2021



[News Releases](#)

Kilpatrick Townsend Receives Top-Tier Recognition in the 2022 Edition of *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch in America*

August 19, 2021

[Alerts](#)

Supreme Court Says Alaska Native Corporations Are Tribal Governments Entitled to CARES Act Funds

June 29, 2021

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Unanimous Supreme Court Confirms and Expands Tribal Government Powers

June 2, 2021

[In The News](#)

Ancient Promises, Modern Advocate

April 29, 2021

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Kilpatrick Townsend Adds Bree Black Horse to Seattle Office

August 26, 2020

[Events](#)

Lawyer Ethical Quandaries in Indian Country

December 13, 2018

[In The News](#)

Bree Black Horse Featured in Seattle Times #MeToo Story: "Us Too"

April 8, 2018

[Events](#)

Getting to Know Indian Country

March 12, 2018

[Events](#)

50 Years of the Indian Civil Rights Act: Protection and Denial of the Civil Rights of Native Americans

March 9, 2018



Events

Carcieri Fixes: Administrative, Congressional and Judicial Approaches; Mashpee & Cowlitz
December 8, 2016

Publications

The "Federal Indian": Still Indian Despite Disenrollment
April 18, 2016

Publications

BIA Pulls A Fast One With New Secretarial Election Rule
October 29, 2015

Publications

Recognize. Disenrolled Indians Acknowledged As Their Own Tribes.
October 13, 2015