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DC Judge Says Freedmen Have Cherokee Citizenship Right

A D.C. federal judge ruled Wednesday that the descendants of slaves who had been owned by members of the Cherokee Nation have the same right as native Cherokees to citizenship in the tribe under an 1866 treaty, despite the Nation's efforts to exclude them from its rolls. Read more »

Calif. Judge Nixes Suit Over Remains At Tribal Casino Site

A California federal judge on Wednesday dismissed a suit against the federal government and others by former Jamul Indian Village leaders over the alleged disinterment of their deceased relatives' remains during the construction of the tribe's San Diego-area casino, saying the tribe is a necessary party but can't be joined to the case because of its sovereign immunity. Read more »

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A largely Democratic group of attorneys general and chief legal officers from 20 states and municipalities on Thursday slammed the head of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for issuing "premature and legally incorrect" guidance to states regarding the controversial Clean Power Plan. Read more »

LITIGATION

Comanches Seek Block On Chickasaw Casino During Suit

The Comanche Nation of Oklahoma urged a federal judge Wednesday to bar any government approvals for a Chickasaw Nation casino project while

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the Comanche tribe's suit challenging a land acquisition for the project plays out. Read more »

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LEGAL INDUSTRY

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Vinson & Elkins LLP and Levine Sullivan Koch & Schulz LLP topped this week's list of legal lions after a federal judge tossed Sarah Palin's defamation suit against their client, The New York Times, while two plaintiffs law firms landed on the lambs list after the Seventh Circuit threw out a "worthless" settlement they reached in an MDL over the size of Subway's sandwiches. Read more »

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