

# Indian law conference planned

The American Indian Bar Association (AIBA) is sponsoring a national conference on "Indians in Law-A ten year perspective." to be held at the University of Denver School of Law in Denver. The conference is open to all American Indian and Alaska Native attorneys, law school graduates, tribal judges, tribal court advocates and members of the American Indian Law Students Association.

The major purpose of the conference is to provide an opportunity for members of

AIBA and the Indian legal community to assess their collective experiences of the past 10 years and to examine the current status of major legal issues facing American Indians and Alaska Natives.

The conference keynote address will be given by P. Sam Deloria, director of the American Indian Law Center at the University of New Mexico in Albuquerque. Since 1969, the American Indian Law Center has sponsored under contract from the Bureau of Indian Affairs an annual summer Special Scholarship Program in Law for American Indians. A large percentage of today's Indian and Alaska Native attorneys are graduates of the program. Deloria attended the Yale University law school.

Subjects to be discussed during the conference include "Indians in Federal and State Govern-

ment Practice; Indians in Private Practice and as Tribal Attorneys; Indians in Legal Services and Resource Organizations; Developments in Indian Law; Pending U.S. Supreme Court Cases; and The Future Role of the American Indian Bar Association." Each discussion session will feature a panel moderated by prominent Indian attorneys including AIBA President Alan R. Parker, AIBA President-elect Larry Echohawk, United States Justice Department attorney Lawrence Baca, and Richard A. Trudell, executive director of the American Indian Lawyer Training Program Inc.

A copy of the conference agenda and other information may be obtained from Patrick M. Anderson, president of the Alaska Native Lawyers Association at 1016 West 6th Ave., Suite 400, Anchorage 99501. Telephone number is (907) 279-5528.