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EDUCATION

J.D. 1986
**University of Oregon
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Eugene, OR

B.S. 1984
North Carolina State University
Raleigh, NC

STATE BAR AND COURT ADMISSIONS

State of Alaska

U.S. District Court,
District of Alaska

U.S. Court of Appeals,
Ninth Circuit

U.S. Supreme Court

About

John M. Sky Starkey is an enrolled member of the Cheyenne River Lakota tribe. He has been representing Alaska tribal organizations in Alaska since 1986. His first job after graduating from the University of Oregon Law School was with Alaska Legal Services Corporation in Bethel, Alaska. In Bethel, Sky was introduced to the Alaska tribal way of life on the tundra, rivers and lakes of the Yukon-Kuskokwim Delta, and the importance of self-determination, hunting and fishing rights and healthy resources for the continuation of that way of life. Consequently, he has focused his legal practice on tribal rights and especially hunting and fishing rights. A particularly important part of his practice is working to establish a meaningful role for Alaska Natives and their tribal organizations in the management of their hunting, fishing and gathering rights and resources.

Sky has litigated several cases in Alaska's Supreme Court, Federal District Court and the Ninth Circuit. He practices before the various federal and state fish and wildlife management agencies in Alaska including the Alaska Board Game, the Alaska Board of Fisheries, the Federal Subsistence Board and the North Pacific Fisheries Management Council.

Experience

OF COUNSEL

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PREVIOUS

Hobbs Strauss Dean & Walker, Of Counsel (2012-2013); Private Law Practice, Attorney (2001-2012, 2013-2014); Association of Village Council Presidents, Chief In-House Counsel (1989-2001); Bethel Legal Services Corporation, Staff Attorney (1986-1989)