



2021 Lifesavers

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Dr. J. Matthew Martin

**Tribal Court Fellow
The American Bar
Association**

Judge J. Matthew Martin serves as the American Bar Association Tribal Court Fellow.

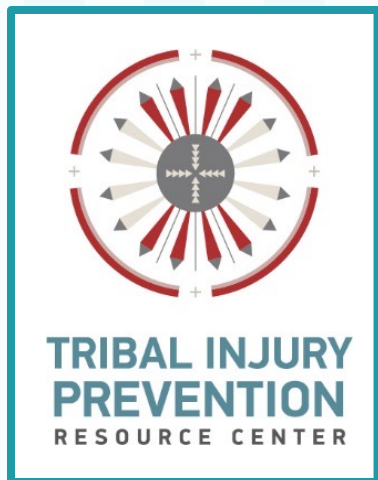
In this role, Judge Martin is responsible for providing educational opportunities for Tribal Court judges leading to more effective adjudication of impaired driving cases. Judge Martin leads the effort to create curriculum that educates Tribal Court judges across the Indian Nations on topics such as sentencing tools and alternatives, Healing to Wellness courts, and self-represented litigants leading to improved judicial efforts to reduce deaths and injuries from impaired driving crashes as motor vehicle crashes are the leading cause of death for American Indian/Alaska Natives ages 1-44.

His work this year alone has included outreach and partnerships with the National Judicial College -Tribal Judicial Center, the NHTSA Tribal Working Group, the National Native American Bar Association, and the National American Indian Court Judges' Association.





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The Tribal Injury Prevention Resource Center

**Jerrold Moore,
Tabatha Harris, &
Jodee Dennison**

Albuquerque, NM

Jerrold Moore, Tabatha Harris and Jodee Dennison make up the Tribal Injury Prevention Resource Center.

In 2020, TIPRC led a Tribal Safety Summit that engaged Native American leaders and highway safety professionals, ranging from Congressional representatives to tribal law enforcement officers and injury prevention coordinators. This summit resulted in safety, legislative and policy action as well as education and training for tribal members who carry out programs in their communities.

We also shine a light on an innovation unique to TIPRC, the Motor Vehicle Safety Digital Storytelling Workshop. These moving, first-person narratives promote change and include Native language, culture, and traditions to illustrate the importance of community traffic safety.

The Center is a recognized safety leader who demonstrates that their heart and mission are about the safety of Native Americans of all ages on the roads, and in their communities.



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**Captain William R.
Haynes (ret)**

**The New Hampshire
State Police
Center Barnstead, NH**

Captain William R. Haynes has passionately committed himself to highway safety in New Hampshire as a Trooper and in 2018 as the Commander of the New Hampshire Office of Highway Safety.

Through his leadership, the culture of motor vehicle occupant protection in New Hampshire changed dramatically. With the backdrop of New Hampshire being the only state **without** an adult belt law combined with the State motto of “Live Free or Die”, the importance of his dedication to occupant protection (OP) cannot be overstated. It is believed that the renewed focus on occupant protection has contributed to a 30% reduction in overall New Hampshire fatalities in recent years.

On March 1, 2021 Captain Hayes retired. He remains highly respected by many peers, co-workers, highway safety leaders and partners throughout the State and the country. He embodies the meaning of what it is to be a lifesaver through his lifelong dedication to saving lives on New Hampshire roads.



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**Stacey Manware,
Esquire**

**Deputy Director
Connecticut Superior
Court Operations**

Stacey Manware, Deputy Director of Connecticut Superior Court Operations, is an outstanding leader and pioneer in the field of online adjudication (e-adjudication).

Online adjudication allows citizens to participate electronically with the justice system upon receiving a traffic citation, substantially increasing justice system accessibility and transparency while leading to equitable and meaningful dispositions.

Ms. Manware implemented this system, statewide, making Connecticut the first State to have an end to end paperless process from citation to disposition. Recognizing that adjudication is one of the least developed data systems, she undertook a grassroots information campaign producing presentations across the country demonstrating the program's virtues. Her efforts resulted in direct technical assistance implementation requests from 7 states and counting.

Ms. Manware's advocacy is mobilizing other States to explore and implement their own online-adjudication program using Connecticut's model as a best practice.



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Officer Frank Enko

**Baltimore County
Police Department
Dundalk, MD**

Officer Frank Enko is a 33-year veteran of the Baltimore County Police Department. Throughout his entire career, he has been a true traffic safety champion.

He is currently assigned to the Department's Traffic Training Team, a one-of-a-kind entity in Maryland. The Team is a highly-specialized training unit for officers who want to focus on advanced traffic-related topics. As DRE Coordinator, Officer Enko expanded the DRE program that now includes 21 certified DREs, has an on-call procedure so that a DRE is always available in Baltimore County and he partnered with the Narcotics Unit to develop safety protocols when encountering suspected opioids. This innovative approach has saved many lives.

During his tenure as a Drug Recognition Expert, he is credited for training more than 20,000 officers.

Officer Enko is dedicated to saving lives and preventing injuries. He is a consummate leader and has worked hard to teach other law enforcement officers what they need to know to become leaders in traffic safety, themselves.



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**Robert F. Dallas,
Esquire**

**Transportation Policy
& Law
Buckley King LPA
Atlanta, GA**

Mr. Dallas served as the Governor's Representative in Georgia's Office of Highway Safety from 2003 until 2011. During his tenure, Georgia's highway safety program rose to prominence with passage of progressive traffic safety laws along with innovative public education, law enforcement and paid media programs.

Mr. Dallas has continued his dedicated work to address motor vehicle deaths as a strong and highly visible community advocate for highway safety.

Recent legislative efforts include:

- Upgrading the Handsfree law
- Establishing enhanced penalties for vulnerable road users
- Implementing automated speed enforcement in school zones
- and revisions to the implied consent law in response to a Georgia Supreme Court case.

Mr. Dallas' achievements have resulted in impactful changes that have greatly improved the traffic safety picture in Georgia. And for that, we are very grateful.



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Scott Kristiansen

**Law Enforcement
Liaison**

Supervisor, Illinois

**Department of
Transportation**

Lake Villa, IL

As a 29 year police officer with the Buffalo Grove Police Department, Scott Kristiansen has dedicated his life to traffic safety. As a law enforcement officer, he was one of the top DUI officers in Illinois consistently making over 100 arrests each year.

His accomplishments in impaired driving enforcement, and traffic safety go far beyond making DUI arrests. They include DUI education efforts with youth and working closely with DUI victims and their families.

Mr. Kristiansen is the LEL supervisor, overseeing five LELs who cover nearly 1,000 law enforcement agencies. One of his major successes was designing and implementing a data-driven law enforcement agency recruitment plan to maximize the number of agencies participating in Illinois' highway safety program.

The Illinois sustained traffic enforcement program saw a 30% increase in participation from 2019 to 2020. And for 2021, the enforcement grantee retention rate is 88%, a direct result of his well-orchestrated recruitment effort.



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Safer New Mexico Now

Albuquerque, NM

In 1985, Safer New Mexico Now was founded by “Doc” and Lena Weiler after their son Jeff was killed in an unbelted automobile crash. Anne Rhodes continues the family leadership with the assistance of Lisa Kelloff and a small team.

Known for leveraging strategic alliances, the organization brings together diverse groups dating back decades to when they championed the first child safety seat laws in the State. These partnerships have evolved to include first responder agencies, the public health community, universities and schools statewide, safety advocacy groups and key State and Federal partners including the Federal Bureau of Indian Affairs.

Safer New Mexico Now is a recognized safety leader that champions safety laws, delivers education and training to citizens and traffic safety professionals, and provides child safety and booster seats to families in need. They reach rural and tribal communities and remain laser-focused on keeping kids safe both inside and outside of cars.



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Karen C. Wittman
Deputy District Attorney
Wyandotte County,
Kansas District
Attorney's Office
Wyandotte, KS

For nearly 40 years, Karen Wittman has been a champion of traffic safety. As Deputy District Attorney for Wyandotte County (KS), Karen has made herself available to law enforcement 24 hours a day, ready to execute a search warrant in a suspected impaired driving stop or to travel to a crash scene to assist in the collection of evidence needed to charge a crime.

Karen's passion for reducing impaired driving goes beyond efforts to serve the innocent victims of this senseless crime. She is also a strong promoter of reducing recidivism by advocating for treatment that has led to life-saving changes in offender behavior. Karen also served as the first Traffic Safety Resource Prosecutor in Kansas, training thousands of law enforcement officers and prosecuting attorneys in all facets of evidenced based traffic enforcement/prosecution.

Karen's passion stems from a long understanding that traffic safety affects everyone in a community. Her comprehensive approach has been invaluable in creating safer roads across Kansas.





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Nancy Scharenbroich

Impaired Driving Prevention Advocate

**From the H.E.A.R.T
Sioux Falls, SD**

In one moment, Nancy Scharenbroich's life was forever altered when her son, Eric, and his girlfriend, Angee, were killed by a 21-year-old drunk driver whose blood alcohol content was nearly twice the legal limit.

Nancy recognized the need for awareness as a means of prevention in South Dakota. Her message blossomed into the organization: From the H.E.A.R.T. Heart meaning to "Help Eliminate Alcohol-Related Tragedies."

Nancy developed a partnership with the South Dakota Department of Public Safety to reach drivers. At driver's license exam stations across the state, an educational video discusses the importance of not drinking and driving, where Nancy tells the story of Eric and Angee. Her personal account resonates with youth.

Nancy's dedication to impaired driving prevention through thousands of volunteer hours has reached every corner of South Dakota and surrounding states. Her notable outreach efforts have made a generational impact with young drivers in the region.



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Sergeant Glen Glaser Jr.

**California State
DRE Coordinator**

**California Highway Patrol
Rancho Murrieta, CA**

Following the onset and spread of COVID-19 in early 2020, California lost over 400 Drug Recognition Experts due to the inability for law enforcement to complete training and re-certification requirements. Continued spreading of the disease warranted exceptional measures to be taken to ensure the DRE Program did not collapse.

During the summer, Sgt. Glen Glaser, Jr. oversaw a team that delivered 42 recertification classes in 65 days, re-certifying over 270 DRE's in the process. This was a result of great personal sacrifice and risk undertaken by Sgt. Glaser and his team since their work took place amidst a dangerous pandemic, civil unrest and massive wildfires in California.

Sgt. Glaser's foresight, dedication and leadership prevented the California DRE Program from collapsing, and resulted in the ability of hundreds of specially trained officers to be able to detect and remove drug-impaired drivers from California's highways.



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Corporal Kyle Wills

**Boise Police
Department
Boise, ID**

Cpl. Kyle Wills, leader of the Idaho Regional Law Enforcement Liaison (LEL) Program, started a traffic engagement program in which Boise traffic officers hand out chocolate bars as a message of goodwill and safety to area residents. Corporal Wills' initiative has created positive interaction with people while passing on educational safety messages about the importance of wearing a seatbelt, slowing down, and driving engaged, not distracted.

This past year his initiative garnered both national and international attention with stories in the Washington Post, CNN, NBC, and articles in England and Israel.

During 2020, Corporal Wills has also instructed officers on how to use social media for traffic safety community outreach including his "traffic tip Tuesday" and "watch out Wednesday" initiatives and his work to advance the Idaho Office of Highway Safety's public message campaign "Shift Idaho".

Corporal Wills has demonstrated exemplary leadership helping to distinguish the Boise Police Department as a state and national leader in traffic safety.



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Lifetime Achievement Award Patrick J. Hoyo (ret)

Iowa Governor's Traffic Safety Bureau

For the past 39 years, Patrick J. Hoyo has been passionate about improving traffic safety in Iowa. Pat served as an Iowa state trooper for fourteen years prior to being promoted to the rank of Sergeant, District Commander, Captain and Colonel of the Iowa State Patrol. Pat's leadership has helped guide not only the staff within the state highway safety office, but he extends his ideas, support, and overall passion for traffic safety to other stakeholders across Iowa.

Recognizing the perils of impaired driving and its impact on the safety of the traveling public, Pat organized the Iowa Impaired Driving Coalition, a partnership of multidisciplinary stakeholders that created an Iowa Strategic Impaired Driving plan to address upward fluctuations in crashes caused by alcohol or other drugs. Patrick clearly understands the value of strong partnerships. He has been instrumental in helping to strengthen relationships with all Iowa traffic safety professionals while continuing to build upon his well-known law enforcement experience. He has a special knack for using his jovial personality to provide examples, suggestions, and personal experiences to apply to productive, efficient and effective strategies. Pat's achievements throughout his career have had a vast, positive impact on traffic safety, for the citizens of Iowa, and beyond.



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