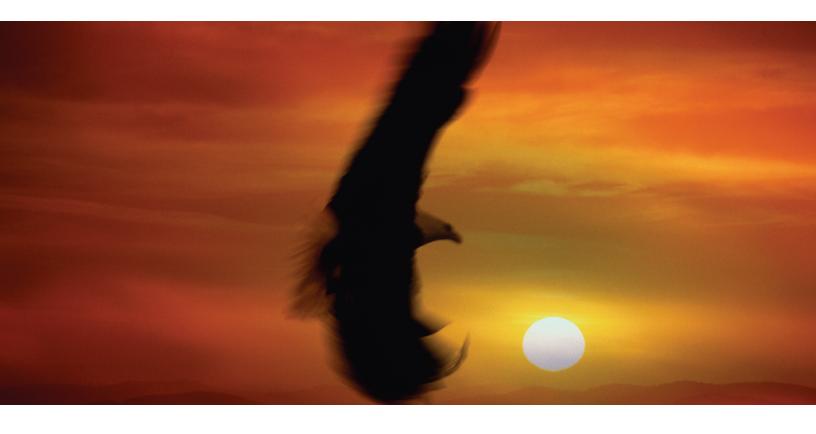
# Hughes Hubbard Native American Practice





#### **Native American Practice**

Representing both Indian nations and those who do business with them, Hughes Hubbard's Native American practice is a national leader in the financing and development of gaming, resort, hotel, retail, entertainment and other projects for American Indian nations. Based in Los Angeles and New York City, our attorneys have represented Indian nations and enterprises, financial institutions and others in some of the largest and most complex transactions in Indian Country, and are consistently top-ranked by our clients and peers in *Chambers USA Guide to Leading Lawyers*.

We are at the forefront of American Indian law and business, having represented the investment bankers in the first high yield debt offering by a California Indian nation, the Oneida Indian Nation of New York in innovative corporate, venture and finance matters, appearing *pro bono* in the Supreme Court in a treaty rights case and frequently speaking at conferences and law schools on Indian affairs.

Hughes Hubbard has also represented issuers and investment banks in over \$15 billion in non-Indian gaming debt and equity financings, M&A transactions and real estate projects in numerous jurisdictions in the United States and internationally. This long-standing expertise, together with our Indian law experience, allows us to provide complete representation in all aspects of tribal economic development, from initial construction to expansion financing and from development ventures to diversified investments.

Our attorneys have handled various business and corporate matters for tribal enterprises, including technology, intellectual property and labor work, and we have also represented hedge funds, insurance companies, retailers, entertainment companies, construction and mining companies, advisory and accounting firms and others seeking to do business with sovereign Indian nations.



# **Our Commitment**

Hughes Hubbard has represented the National Congress of American Indians *pro bono* as *amicus curiae* in important sovereignty-related cases in the United States Supreme Courtand the Ninth Circuit. Our firm was recently awarded the New York State Bar Association's President's *Pro Bono* Service Award and the Legal Aid Society's Outstanding *Pro Bono Publico* and Public Service Law Firm Award. Hughes Hubbard also was ranked #1 in diversity among the top 100 U.S. law firms by *Multicultural Law* magazine.

# In Los Angeles

Ted Latty is Chair of the Gaming Finance practice and Co-Chair of the Native American practice and represented the investment banks in \$330 million of financings for the Agua Caliente Band, the \$200 million River Rock financing and the \$150 million Chumash financing. Ted has also represented non-Indian gaming companies and financial institutions in over \$10 billion in debt and equity financings for such clients as Golden Nugget, Mirage Resorts, Treasure Island, Fitzgeralds, Ameristar, Casino America and Mandalay Bay.

# **Representative Transactions**

#### Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians

\$230 million and \$100 million issuances of investment grade debt by the Agua Caliente Band to be used to construct a new hotel and other amenities.

# River Rock Entertainment Authority

\$200 million issuance of senior notes by the Dry Creek Rancheria Band of Pomo Indians to construct parking structures and related infrastructure to support its casino and entertainment complex.

#### Oneida Indian Nation of New York

\$25.5 million and \$20 million issuances of Tax Exempt Variable Rate Demand Bonds to finance eligible projects, and other finance matters.

House of Blues, Ann Taylor, The Gap and Nautica
 Representation of national retail and entertainment companies in leasing property on Indian reservations.

#### Turning Stone Casino Resort

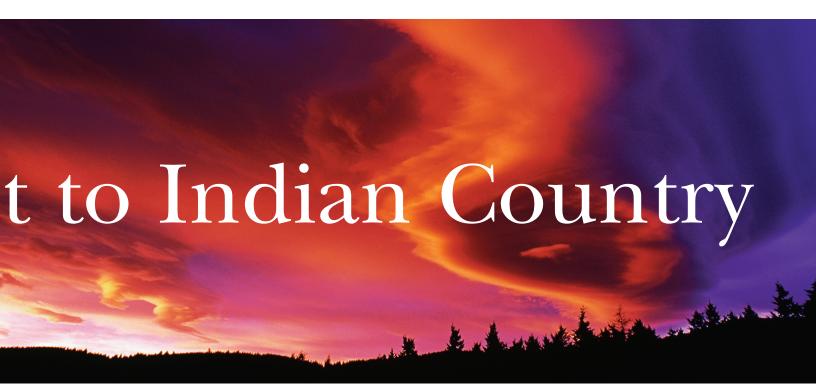
\$310 million combined high yield, tax-exempt and secured bank loan facility to finance a major expansion of the Oneida Nation's casino resort, including a hotel tower, Fazio and Trent Jones golf courses, casino expansion, a co-generation plant and related infrastructure.

# Chumash Casino and Resort Enterprise

\$150 million issuance of senior notes for the Santa Ynez Band of Mission Indians, the first such transaction by a California Indian nation, to build a casino, an entertainment complex and a hotel.

# Casino Snoqualmie

\$85.5 million bridge loan by two hedge funds to the Snoqualmie Tribe to enable it to purchase land and place it into trust for a gaming facility.



# In New York

Steve McSloy is Co-Chair of the Native American practice and has worked since 1988 for Indian nations, including the Oneida Indian Nation of New York and the Navajo Nation, as well as investment banks and real estate developers, in developing casino, hospitality and retail projects on Native American lands. Prior to joining Hughes Hubbard, Steve was General Counsel of the Oneida Nation and its Turning Stone Casino Resort and a professor of corporate and American Indian law at several law schools.

# **Our Firm**

Hughes Hubbard & Reed LLP is a 350-lawyer Wall Street firm founded in 1888, with offices around the world and a reputation for bringing creativity and innovation to the practice of law. We are perennially included by *The American Lawyer* magazine on its "A-list" of the top 20 elite U.S. law firms. Our work today cuts across national boundaries and involves all manner of corporate, litigation and real estate work for Fortune 500 companies, financial institutions and not-for-profit and sovereign entities.



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