THE INFORMATION COLLECTED IN THIS SURVEY IS VITALLY IMPORTANT FOR UNDERSTANDING THE ADMINISTRATIVE AND OPERATIONAL NEEDS OF YOUR TRIBAL COURT INDIVIDUALLY, BUT ALSO HELPS IN THE PLANNING FOR TRIBAL JUSTICE SYSTEMS ACROSS INDIAN COUNTRY.

DIRECTIONS

• Please review this survey in its entirety before completion, as several sections will require gathering administrative information from various components within the tribal justice system.

• Please consult with justice system, law enforcement, and finance department representatives as necessary to obtain information to complete the survey in its entirety.

• INTERTRIBAL COURTS PLEASE NOTE: Fill out a separate survey for each tribe that participates in the intertribal court or ensure that each participating tribe fills out its own survey.

• Your tribe’s responses will not identify you individually. We ask for your name and contact information above in case any of the survey items need clarification.

UPON COMPLETION OF THE SURVEY

You may complete and submit your survey using any one of the following three options:

• Mail: NSTCS, c/o Kauffman & Associates, Inc, PO Box 15179, Washington, DC 20003-9998

• Fax: 301-588-6801

• Email: NSTCS@kauffmaninc.com

If you have questions or need assistance, you may call toll free and leave a message at 1-877-528-4025 or send an email message to NSTCS@kauffmaninc.com. A member of our survey administration team will respond promptly.

Thank you for your cooperation in this important data collection effort. Your responses are critically important to the success of this survey.

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### Section A: Tribal Justice Systems

This section gathers information on the various components of your tribal justice system, including law enforcement, the court, and corrections. Complete this section even if your tribe does not operate its own tribal court or does not participate in a consortium.

A.1 What was the total number of your enrolled tribal members during 2014 (including members living both on and off the reservation with official tribal membership)?

- [ ] Check here if this is an estimate.

A.2 What was the total resident population (including members, nonmember Indians\(^1\) and non-Indians) on your reservation, tribal land, or village during 2014?

- [ ] Check here if this is an estimate.

A.3 Which law enforcement agencies provide a policing or criminal investigative function on your reservation, tribal land, tribal community, or village? (Select all that apply.)

- [ ] a. Tribal: (Provide name of agency or agencies)

- [ ] b. Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA): (Provide name of agency or agencies)

- [ ] c. Federal Law Enforcement other than BIA: (Provide name of agency or agencies)

- [ ] d. State/county (including County Sheriff or State Troopers): (Provide name of agency or agencies)

- [ ] e. City: (Provide name of agency or agencies)

- [ ] f. Joint jurisdiction court (tribal-state court)\(^2\): (Provide name of court)

- [ ] g. Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA)/Court of Federal Regulation or Court of Indian Offenses (CFR)

- [ ] h. Other: (Please describe)

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1*Nonmember Indian* describes an individual who is a member of a tribe other than the specific tribe completing this survey.

2A joint-power agreement between tribal and state governments whereby both entities work collaboratively toward shared goals of improving access to justice, fostering public trust and increasing accountability.
A.6 Does your tribe operate an indigenous traditional justice system, either independent of or as part of its tribal court system? (Select all that apply.)

☐ a. An indigenous or traditional justice system is not operated by (or on behalf of) the tribe.
☐ b. Peacemaking
☐ c. Elder panel
☐ d. Circle sentencing
☐ e. Other traditional justice system: (Please describe)

NOTE: If your tribe does not operate a tribal court or participate in an inter-tribal court system STOP HERE. DO NOT complete the rest of the survey. Please follow the directions on the cover page to return completed portions of the survey. Thank you for your participation.

Section B: Tribal Court Administration

The term “tribal court” or “tribal court system” is used to denote or refer to the type of justice institution operated by your tribe. The remaining sections of this survey apply to your tribal court system.

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If the case count is none, enter “0” as your answer.

If you do not track this information, please check the “Do not track these case numbers” checkbox.

B.1 How long (in years) has your tribal court been operational?
Number of years: __________________________

B.2 Under what authority was your tribal court created? (Select all that apply.)

☐ a. Inherent sovereign authority
☐ b. Specifically authorized in the tribal constitution
☐ c. Created by tribal statute, resolution, or ordinance

Items B3–B4 pertain to civil matters\(^3\) only.

B.3 Does your tribal court exercise civil jurisdiction?

☐ a. Yes
☐ b. No (GO TO ITEM B5)

B.4 How many civil cases were filed in your tribal court in calendar year 2014?

a. Traffic cases: __________________________
   ☐ Do not track these case numbers
b. Non-traffic cases: _________________________
   ☐ Do not track these case numbers

Items B5–B9 pertain to criminal matters\(^4\) only.

B.5 Does your tribal court currently exercise criminal jurisdiction?

☐ a. Yes
☐ b. No (GO TO ITEM B15)

B.6 Over what type(s) of defendant does your tribal court exercise criminal jurisdiction? (Select all that apply.)

☐ a. Tribal members
☐ b. Nonmember Indians
☐ c. Non-Indians (defendant consenting to tribal jurisdiction or DOJ-approved Pilot Project Tribe)\(^5\)

B.7 What was the total number of criminal cases filed in your tribal court in calendar year 2014?

☐ Do not track these case numbers

B.8 How many of these criminal cases filed in your tribal court in calendar year 2014 involved a non-Indian defendant (defendant consenting to tribal jurisdiction or DOJ-approved Pilot Project Tribe)?

☐ Do not track these case numbers

\(^3\)Civil matters are noncriminal matters—such as contract disputes or damages for destruction of personal property—involving individuals or organizations. It is brought to enforce a right or redress.

\(^4\)Criminal matters have to do with the law of crimes and illegal conduct. A criminal action is the procedure by which a person is accused of a crime, is brought to trial, and given punishment.

\(^5\)DOJ Pilot Project Tribes are those tribes designated by the Department of Justice approval to exercise VAWA’s special domestic violence criminal jurisdiction as a pilot project tribe as set forth in Section 908 of VAWA 2013 Reauthorization (Public Law 113-4) prior to the March 7, 2015 general applicability date.
B.9 During 2014, excluding juveniles, what was the total number of defendants sentenced to the following? (Write “N/A” for your answer if this does not apply.)

a. Jail or prison terms

b. Probation without jail or prison terms

B.10 How many convictions for DUI/DWI offenses were issued by your tribal court in calendar year 2014? (If your justice system does not handle DUI/DWI offenses. (Write “N/A” for your answer.)

DUI/DWI Offenses:

B.11 What are the available sanctions issued by the tribal court for DUI/DWI convictions? (Select all that apply.)

- Revoke driving privileges on the reservation only
- Suspension of driving privileges in the entire state, including reservation
- Counseling
- Fines
- Jail
- Other: (Please describe)

B.12 Does your tribal court share DUI/DWI conviction information with state administering agencies (for example: the Motor Vehicle Authority, DMV, etc.)?

- Yes
- No

B.13 Which of the following does your tribal court recognize as acceptable evidence to determine Blood Alcohol Content (BAC)? (Select all that apply)

- Breathalyzer
- Blood tests
- Standardized Field Sobriety Test (SFST)
- Implied Consent
- Other (Please describe)

B.14 In 2014, did your tribal court permit the use of any DNA evidence during a criminal proceeding?

- Yes
- No

B.15 What are the various mechanisms by which tribal laws and codes are made available to the public? (Select all that apply.)

- Tribal laws and codes are not made available to the public.
- Paper copies are available in the tribal office, library, or other location.
- Electronic versions are provided in a password-protected file.
- Electronic copies can be downloaded from the tribal website.
- Electronic copies can be downloaded from a host site (for example: NARF, VERSUS, or the Tribal Court Clearinghouse).
- Electronic copies are available on commercial websites (for example: Westlaw).
- Other: (Please describe)

B.16 Has your tribe established or does it have formalized plans to establish a tribal bar association?

- Yes, the tribe has a tribal bar association
- Yes, the tribe has formal plans to establish a tribal bar association
- No, the tribe has no plans to establish a tribal bar association

Items B17–B23 pertain to juries only.

B.17 Does your tribal court provide defendants the right to a trial by jury?

- Yes
- No (GO TO SECTION C)

B.18 What are the qualifications for jury service? (Select all that apply.)

- Tribal member
- Language requirement (for example: fluency in English or tribal language)
- No felony convictions
- Residency requirement (for example: must live on reservation)
- Minimum age: (Please specify)
- Maximum age: (Please specify)
- Other: (Please describe)
Section B. Jury Information

B.19 What is the standard number of jurors used by your tribal court? (If jurors are not used for the type of trial listed, write “N/A” for your answer.)
   a. In criminal trials: 
   b. In civil trials: 

B.20 Does your jury pool for criminal proceedings include nonmember Indians?
   a. Yes
   b. No
   c. Not applicable

B.21 Does your jury pool for criminal proceedings include non-Indians?
   a. Yes
   b. No
   c. Not applicable

B.22 Does your jury pool for civil proceedings include nonmember Indians?
   a. Yes
   b. No
   c. Not applicable

B.23 Does your jury pool for civil proceedings include non-Indians?
   a. Yes
   b. No
   c. Not applicable

Section C. Appellate System

DIRECTIONS: For survey items requesting case count information, please provide the total number of cases filed by your tribal court during the calendar year 2014. Use the following definition to determine case numbers:

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NOTE: If you are unable to provide the actual case count number, please provide your best estimate.

If the case count is none, enter “0” as your answer.

If you do not track this information, please check the “Do not track these case numbers” checkbox.

C.1 Does your justice system have a court of appeals, participate in an inter-tribal appellate court, or otherwise have an appellate process?
   a. Yes (Please provide the official name of the highest court of appeals. For example: Indian Court of Appeals)

C.2 How many individual judges hear each appellate court case? (If your tribal court does not use an appellate court, enter “N/A.” NOTE: If more than one level of appellate court is in operation, respond for the court of last resort only.)
   a. 

   Check if court of last resort.

C.3 Does your tribal council or chief executive have the authority to review and overturn decisions made by your tribal court?
   a. Yes
   b. No

C.4 How many appellate cases were filed in your tribal court in the calendar year 2014?
   a. Criminal 
   b. Civil
   Do not track these case numbers

Section D: Tribal Court System Operations

D.1 How often does your tribal court hold sessions or hear cases?
   a. Daily
   b. Once a week
   c. More than once a week
   d. Once a month
   e. More than once a month
   f. Other: (Please describe) 

Please describe__________
D.2 Please indicate whether your tribal court budget is on a fiscal or calendar year cycle.

□ a. Tribal fiscal year. *(Please enter the start and end dates of the 2014 fiscal year.)*

□ b. Calendar year

D.3 During 2014, what was the operational budget of your tribal court for adjudication functions, excluding capital outlays for construction?6 *(If you are unable to provide the actual number please provide your best estimate.)*

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D.4 Did any of the following sources funding for your tribal court operations during 2014?

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<td>a. Tribal appropriations</td>
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<td>b. Self-Governance Compact</td>
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<td>c. Public Law 93-638 Contract</td>
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<td>d. Other BIA funding</td>
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<td>e. Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation (CTAS) funding from the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ)</td>
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<td>f. DOJ grants, other than CTAS funding</td>
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<td>g. Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)</td>
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<td>i. State funding</td>
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<td>j. Private foundations</td>
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<td>k. Fines and other court costs</td>
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<td>l. Other grant funding: <em>(Please describe)</em></td>
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6Operating expenditures or budgets are defined as all recurring fixed and variable costs associated with the management and administration of your system. It does not include non-recurring fixed capital costs such as building construction and major equipment purchases.

D.5 Were any of the following positions and services funded totally or in part by your tribal court’s operating budget in 2014?

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<th>Core court positions and services</th>
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<td>c. Prosecution/prosecutor (law school graduate)</td>
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<td>e. Indigent defense services/public defender (law school graduate)</td>
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<td>g. Administration/court clerks</td>
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<td>i. Probation/parole</td>
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<td>k. Court staff attorney</td>
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<td>l. ICWA worker (child welfare)*</td>
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<td>n. Mental health treatment</td>
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<td>o. Alcohol and drug treatment</td>
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<td>p. Electronic monitoring program</td>
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<td>q. Victim services/victim assistance services</td>
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<td>r. Alternative to incarceration programming and/or staff</td>
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D.6 Which qualifications are required in order to serve as a trial or appellate court judge? *(Select all that apply.)*

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<th>qualification</th>
<th>Trial judges</th>
<th>Appellate court judges (including supreme court judges)</th>
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<td>j. No requirements for position</td>
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D.7 How many of the following types of personnel were employed in your tribal court in calendar year 2014?

**NOTE:** “Part-time” refers to any employee who works fewer than 40 hours per week and includes job sharing. If you are unable to provide the actual number, provide your best estimate. If none, enter “0.” If a particular position does not exist in your court, enter “N/A.”

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<th>Staff position</th>
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<td>g. Community resources specialist</td>
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<td>h. Court administrator</td>
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<td>i. Court clerk</td>
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<td>j. Court reporter</td>
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<td>k. Staff attorney (does not include prosecutor or public defender)</td>
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<td>l. Law clerk</td>
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<td>m. Tribal elder/peacemaker/other traditional forum staff</td>
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<td>p. TOTAL NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES</td>
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D.8 How are the following justice system personnel selected for these positions? (Select all that apply.)

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<td>c. Court administrator</td>
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<td>d. Clerk of the court</td>
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D.9 How long, in years, is the term of office for each of the following justice system personnel?

**NOTE:** If the position is a lifetime appointment, write “L” as your answer. If the position is served at the pleasure of tribal leadership/council, write “P” as your answer. If your tribal court does not utilize the position, write “N/A” as your answer.

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<td>c. Appellate court judge</td>
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<td>d. Supreme court (tribal court of last resort) justice</td>
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D.10 Does your tribal court currently have a victim service program?

☐ a. Yes

☐ b. No (GO TO ITEM D12)

D.11 During 2014, did your tribal court receive federal and/or state funding for victim services or programs? (Select all that apply.)

☐ a. Federal

☐ b. State

☐ c. No outside funding was received.

D.12 Does your tribal court rely on county or local government social service agencies for court-ordered treatment in juvenile and/or family cases?

☐ a. Yes

☐ b. No

**Section E: Tribal Prosecution**

E.1 Does your tribal court currently have a tribal prosecutor or prosecutor’s office?

☐ a. Yes

☐ b. No (GO TO ITEM E5)
E.2 Which qualifications are required in order to serve as a chief or assistant prosecutor? (Select all that apply.)

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E.3 How are the following prosecutor’s office personnel selected for these positions? (Select all that apply.)

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<td>b. Assistant prosecutor</td>
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E.4 How many prosecutors were employed in your tribal court in calendar year 2014?

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<td>c. TOTAL NUMBER OF PUBLIC DEFENDERS</td>
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E.5 Does your tribe have a contract with a local or private attorney to provide prosecution services?

- a. Yes
- b. No

Section F: Public Defense and Civil Legal Services

F.1 Does your justice system currently have a tribal public defender or defense office?

- a. Yes
- b. No (GO TO ITEM F5)

F.2 How many public defenders were employed in your tribal court in calendar year 2014?

**NOTE:** “Part-time” refers to any employee who works fewer than 40 hours per week and includes job sharing. If you are unable to provide the actual number, provide your best estimate. If none, enter “0.” If a particular position does not exist in your court, enter “N/A.”

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<td>c. TOTAL NUMBER OF PUBLIC DEFENDERS</td>
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F.3 Which qualifications are required in order to serve in the following tribal court positions? (Select all that apply.)

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<td>a. Tribal member</td>
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<td>c. Proficiency in native language</td>
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<td>d. No felony conviction</td>
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<td>e. Residency requirement</td>
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<td>f. Accredited law school graduate</td>
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<td>g. Member of state bar/ licensed to practice law by state</td>
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<td>h. Member of tribal bar/ licensed to practice law by tribe</td>
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<td>i. Admitted to practice in federal court</td>
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<td>j. No requirements for position</td>
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F.4 How are the following public defense office personnel selected for these positions? (Select all that apply.)

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<td>b. Assistant public defender</td>
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does your tribe have a contract with a local or private attorney to provide public defense or indigent services?

- a. Yes
- b. No

F.6 To whom does your tribe provide free criminal defense services? (Select all that apply.)

- a. Tribe does not provide free criminal defense services. (GO TO ITEM F9)
- b. Tribal members
- c. Nonmember Indians
- d. Non-Indians
- e. Other: (Please describe) ____________________________

F.7 Are free criminal defense services based on income scale and ability to pay?

- a. Yes
- b. No

F.8 Who delivers your tribe’s free criminal defense services? (Select all that apply.)

- a. Tribal public defender program (fixed staff)
- b. Assigned defender (appointed from a list of private bar members who accept cases on a judge-by-judge basis, court-by-court basis, or case-by-case basis)
- c. Contract counsel (nonsalaried private bar members who contract with the tribal court to provide court appointed representation in a jurisdiction)
- d. A neighboring tribal-legal services program
- e. A non-profit legal services program, including Indian Legal Services
- f. A private law firm or office pro bono program
- g. Other: (Please describe) ____________________________

F.9 Does your tribe provide access to free civil legal services for a tribal court appearance?

- a. Yes
- b. No (GO TO SECTION G)

F.10 Are free civil legal services criteria based on income scale and ability to pay?

- a. Yes
- b. No

F.11 Who delivers your tribe’s free civil legal services? (Select all that apply.)

- a. Tribal public defender program (fixed staff)
- b. Assigned defender (appointed from a list of private bar members who accept cases on a judge-by-judge basis, court-by-court basis, or case-by-case basis)
- c. Contract counsel (nonsalaried private bar members who contract with the tribal court to provide court appointed representation in a jurisdiction)
- d. A neighboring tribal-legal services program
- e. A non-profit legal services program, including Indian Legal Services
- f. A private law firm or office pro bono program
- g. Other: (Please describe) ____________________________

Section G: Pretrial, Probation and Reentry Programs and Services

G.1 Does your tribal court operate a pre-trial diversion program?

- a. Yes
- b. No (GO TO ITEM G3)

G.2 Does your tribal court provide a diversion program alternative prior to formally charging the defendant with a crime?

- a. Yes
- b. No

*Pre-trial diversion (PTD) is an alternative to prosecution which seeks to divert certain offenders from traditional criminal justice processing into a program of supervision and services. In the majority of cases, offenders are diverted at the pre-charge stage. Participants who successfully complete the program will not be charged or, if charged, will have the charges against them dismissed; unsuccessful participants are returned for prosecution.*
G.3 Does your tribal court operate a pre-trial release program?  
☐ a. Yes
☐ b. No (GO TO ITEM G5)

G.4 Which of the following options are provided by your tribal court regarding the release of a defendant from detention prior to trial? (Select all that apply.)
☐ a. Release on your own recognizance (ROR)
☐ b. Bail
☐ c. Held pending further hearing or trial
☐ d. Other: (Please describe) __________________________

Items G5–G12 pertain to your tribal justice system’s probation program only.

G.5 Does your tribal court have a probation program?
☐ a. Yes
☐ b. No (GO TO ITEM G13)

G.6 Who supervises individuals placed on community supervision by the tribal court? (Select all that apply.)
☐ a. A probation officer
☐ b. A member of the community (for example: an elder)
☐ c. A member of the probationer’s family
☐ d. Tribal court judge
☐ e. Prosecutor
☐ f. Court administrator
☐ g. Nobody; we have unsupervised probation.
☐ h. Tribal police officer
☐ i. Other: (Please describe) __________________________

G.7 How is your tribal justice system’s probation department funded? (Select all that apply.)
☐ a. Federal grant program(s)
☐ b. Non-federal grant program(s)
☐ c. Tribal budget
☐ d. Other: (Please describe) __________________________

G.8 Who oversees the probation function in your community?
☐ a. Tribal court
☐ b. Law enforcement
☐ c. Probation is its own department within the tribal justice system.
☐ d. Corrections
☐ e. Other: (Please describe) __________________________

G.9 How many probation officers does your tribal justice system employ? (Include combined total for full- and part-time)
If no probation officers are employed, enter “0” as your answer. __________________________

G.10 With which non-tribal jurisdiction(s) does your tribal probation program work to supervise individuals who are on community supervision from federal, state, or local systems? (Select all that apply.)
☐ a. Federal probation
☐ b. State probation
☐ c. Local/municipal probation
☐ d. Tribal probation program does not work with any non-tribal jurisdictions in this area.

G.11 Which of the following does your probation program complete and submit to the tribal court? (Select all that apply.)
☐ a. Presentence investigation report
☐ b. Presentence recommendations
☐ c. Monthly or periodic case updates
☐ d. Violation reports
☐ e. Other: (Please describe) __________________________

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8Pre-trial release (PTR) is the process of a defendant being released before trial, with or without conditions. A defendant may be released on his or her own recognizance or released on non-financial conditions that require monitoring the defendant in the community. Non-financial conditions may include regular contact with a pre-trial services program, drug testing, curfew, or electronic monitoring.
G.12 What was the total number of probation cases that were active (both new and on-going) during 2014?

☐ Do not track these case numbers

Items G13–G16 pertain to your tribal justice system’s reentry program only.

G.13 Does your tribal justice system supervise individuals coming out of placement in a secure facility (e.g., federal or state detention facility)?

☐ a. Yes
☐ b. No (GO TO SECTION H)

G.14 With which facilities does your justice system work on reentry supervision? (Select all that apply.)

☐ a. Federal facilities
☐ b. State facilities
☐ c. County/municipal facilities
☐ d. Tribal facilities (within the tribe)
☐ e. Tribal facilities (outside of the tribe)
☐ f. Other: (Please describe) ______________________________

G.15 Does your tribal justice system operate a formal reentry program involved in assisting tribal members planning to return to your community?

☐ a. Yes
☐ b. No

G.16 Does your community have transitional living facilities to assist tribal members returning to the community?

☐ a. Yes
☐ b. No

Section H. Juvenile Cases

DIRECTIONS: For survey items requesting case count information, please provide the total number of cases filed in your tribal court during the calendar year 2014. Use the following definition to determine case numbers:

A filed case is a set of all charges against a single defendant filed with the court on a single day. A case with three defendants should be counted as three cases, but a case with one defendant with multiple charges should be counted as one case.

NOTE: If you are unable to provide the actual case count number, please provide your best estimate.

If the case count is none, enter “0” as your answer.

If you do not track this information, please check the “Do not track these case numbers” checkbox.

H.1 Which type(s) of juvenile law-violating cases does your tribal court handle? (Select all that apply.)

☐ a. Tribal court does not handle juvenile law-violating cases. (GO TO ITEM H10)
☐ b. Juvenile delinquency
☐ c. Status offense (for example: underage drinking, tobacco smoking, truancy, running away)
☐ d. All juvenile law-violating cases are treated as juvenile dependency or child in need of care matters.
☐ e. Other: (Please describe) ______________________________

H.2 How many juvenile law-violating cases were filed in calendar year 2014?

a. Juvenile delinquency cases

☐ Do not track these case numbers

b. Juvenile status offense cases (for example: underage drinking, tobacco smoking, truancy, running away)

☐ Do not track these case numbers

H.3 During 2014, what was the total number of juveniles sentenced to the following? (Write “N/A” for your answer if this does not apply.)

a. Incarceration

b. Probation without incarceration

H.4 To which juveniles does your tribe provide free legal representation services in juvenile law-violating cases? (Select all that apply.)

☐ a. Tribe does not provide free legal representation services in juvenile law-violating cases. (GO TO ITEM H7)
☐ b. Tribal member juveniles
☐ c. Nonmember Indian juveniles
☐ d. Non-Indian juveniles

9 Acts committed by a juvenile that would be considered a criminal offense if committed by an adult.

10 25 CFR § 11.900(m) - Status offense means an offense which, if committed by an adult, would not be designated a crime under this part or under an ordinance of the tribe.
H.5 Are the criteria for free legal representation services in juvenile law-violating cases based on income scale and the family's ability to pay?

- a. Yes
- b. No

H.6 Who provides free legal representation in juvenile law-violating cases? (Select all that apply.)

- a. Tribal public defender program (fixed staff)
- b. Assigned defender (appointed from a list of private bar members who accept cases on a judge-by-judge basis, court-by-court basis, or case-by-case basis)
- c. Contract counsel (nonsalaried private bar members who contract with the tribal court to provide court appointed representation in a jurisdiction)
- d. A neighboring tribal-legal services program
- e. A non-profit legal services program, including Indian Legal Services
- f. A private law firm or office pro bono program
- g. Other: (Please describe) __________________________

H.7 Excluding incarceration, which of the following sentencing options does your tribal court use in sentencing juveniles for law-violations. (Select all that apply.)

- a. No other sentencing options
- b. Drug or alcohol rehabilitation; random drug testing
- c. Mental health assessment; counseling or therapy
- d. Community service (for example: litter removal from highways, community testimonials about underage drinking or drug abuse)
- e. Fine; restitution
- f. Victim-offender reconciliation (victim-offender dialogue)
- g. Electronic monitoring (For example: house detention, alcohol monitoring bracelet)
- h. Cultural or traditional alternatives
- i. Placement in a familial or foster home
- j. Probation

H.8 Does your tribal court handle juvenile law-violating cases jointly with the state court (for example: through a diversion program)?

- a. Yes
- b. No

H.9 Does your tribal court maintain a probation or parole function for juveniles?

- a. Yes
- b. No

H.10 Does your tribe have or provide access to a reentry program for tribal juveniles who have been incarcerated?

- a. Yes
- b. No

Items H11–H15 pertain to child welfare or dependency matters only.

H.11 Which type(s) of Indian child welfare or dependency matters does your tribal court handle? (Select all that apply.)

- a. Tribal court does not handle Indian child welfare or dependency matters. (GO TO SECTION I)
- b. Child abuse or neglect
- c. Foster care placements
- d. Termination of parental rights
- e. Pre-adoptive placements
- f. Adoptive placements
- g. Guardianship
- h. Other: (Please describe) __________________________

H.12 How many child welfare or dependency cases were filed in your tribal court in calendar year 2014?

- Do not track these case numbers

H.13 How many Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA) cases were transferred from a state court to the tribal court in calendar year 2014?

- Do not track these case numbers

11For example: Child in Need of Protection or Child in Need of Aid cases.
Section I: Domestic Violence and Protection Orders

DIRECTIONS: For survey items requesting case count information, please provide the total number of cases filed by your tribal court during the calendar year 2014. Use the following definition to determine case numbers:

A filed case is a set of all charges against a single defendant filed in the court on a single day. A case with three defendants should be counted as three cases, but a case with one defendant with multiple charges should be counted as one case.

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If the case count is none, enter “0” as your answer.

If you do not track this information, please check the “Do not track these case numbers” checkbox.
I.7 Did your tribal court receive any federal or state grants and/or funding for domestic violence programming in calendar year 2014?

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<td>b. State funding</td>
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J.2 If no, indicate which factors, if any, your tribe has identified as preventing it from exercising the enhanced sentencing authority under TLOA. (Select all that apply.)

- a. There are no factors preventing the exercising of enhanced sentencing authority under TLOA.
- b. Tribe does not currently exercise criminal jurisdiction.
- c. Requires a change in tribal constitution or code
- d. Requires Tribal Council to pass a resolution in favor of implementation
- e. Requires qualified staff training and/or licensing (for example: judge, defense attorney)
- f. Requires ability to record court proceedings
- g. Requires additional technical assistance or training
- h. Requires additional funding for program implementation
- i. Requires building a detention facility
- j. Requires expanding an existing detention facility
- k. Other: (Please describe) ____________________________

Section J. Enhanced Sentencing Authority

The questions in this section relate to the Tribal Law and Order Act13 (TLOA). Some of the provisions of Section 234 in TLOA provide for enhanced sentencing authority for Indian tribes, but also include several requirements—many related to indigent defense or public defenders—that must be fulfilled before the authority may be exercised.

J.1 Does your tribe currently exercise the enhanced sentencing authority provided by TLOA (including the authority to sentence defendants to 3 years of incarceration and up to $15,000 in fines)?

- a. Yes (GO TO J3)
- b. No

J.3 Please indicate whether your tribe currently meets each of the following TLOA enhanced sentencing authority requirements.

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<th>Requirements</th>
<th>Yes</th>
<th>No</th>
<th>Unsure/do not know</th>
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<td>a. Tribal government provides a defense attorney to an indigent defendant.</td>
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<td>b. The defense attorney (provided to the indigent defendant by the tribal government) is “licensed to practice by any jurisdiction in the United States that applies appropriate professional licensing standards and effectively ensures the competence and professional responsibility of its licensed attorneys.”</td>
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<td>c. Judges presiding over criminal proceedings subject to enhanced sentencing have “sufficient legal training to preside over criminal trials” subject to enhanced sentencing.</td>
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<td>d. Any judges presiding over criminal proceedings subject to enhanced sentencing are “licensed to practice law by any jurisdiction in the United States.”</td>
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<td>e. The tribe’s criminal law, rules of evidence, and rules of criminal procedure are made available to the public prior to charging the defendant.</td>
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<td>f. Tribal court “maintains a record of the criminal proceeding, including an audio or other recording.”</td>
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<td>g. Defendant is sentenced to a facility that passes the BIA jail standards for enhanced sentencing authority for more than one year (including the Bureau of Prisons Pilot Program).</td>
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How does your tribal court system record court proceedings? (Select all that apply.)
- a. We do not record court proceedings.
- b. Steno type (a court reporter)
- c. Audio recording
- d. Video recording
- e. Other: (Please describe) __________________________

Excluding incarceration, which of the following alternative criminal sentencing options does your tribal court currently use for adults? (Select all that apply.)
- a. No other sentencing options
- b. Drug or alcohol rehabilitation; random drug testing
- c. Mental health assessment; counseling and therapy
- d. Community service (for example: litter removal from highways, community testimonials about DWI or drinking)
- e. Fine; restitution
- f. Victim-offender reconciliation (victim-offender dialogue)
- g. Electronic monitoring (For example: alcohol monitoring bracelet)
- h. Probation
- i. Provide DNA samples for testing and inclusion in CODIS
- j. Sex offender registration
- k. Referral for Veterans Administration resources
- l. Culturally based and traditional alternatives
- m. Day reporting; day treatment program
- n. Employment; vocational rehabilitation program
- o. Individual, group or family counseling
- p. Parenting education
- q. Transitional living services or support
- r. Other: (Please describe) __________________________

Please indicate the types of alternatives to incarceration programs (other than probation) that your tribal justice system currently operates. (Select all that apply.)
- a. Day reporting; day treatment
- b. Electronic monitoring (e.g., alcohol monitoring bracelet)
- c. Community service program
- d. Mentoring
- e. Mediation; dispute resolution
- f. Home detention
- g. Halfway house; transitional living
- h. Work or school release
- i. Specialty court: Teen court
- j. Specialty court: Veterans court
- k. Specialty court: Drug court or Healing to Wellness court
- l. Specialty court: Domestic violence court
- m. Specialty court: Other: (Please describe) __________

From what agencies/entities does your tribal court access electronic data and to what agencies/entities does your tribal court transmit electronic data? (Select all that apply.)

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<td>c. FBI Criminal Justice Information Services (CJIS)</td>
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<td>d. BIA Office of Justice Services</td>
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<td>e. Other tribes</td>
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<td>g. None of the above</td>
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K.2 What method(s) does your tribal court use to manage cases? (Select all that apply.)

☐ a. Paper files
☐ b. Basic spreadsheets (for example: Excel, Access)
☐ c. Basic text files (for example: Word, WordPerfect)
☐ d. An automated case management system
☐ e. Other: (Please describe) ____________________________

K.3 With which of the following is your tribal court electronically networked for the purpose of transmitting criminal justice information? (Select all that apply)

a. Justice agencies within your tribe
b. Justice agencies within other tribes

K.4 Indicate which activities your tribal justice system has the ability to conduct with CJIS. (Select all that apply.)

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<th>Tribal court personnel</th>
<th>The state conducts this activity through an agreement on behalf of the tribe</th>
<th>BIA conducts this activity on behalf of the tribe</th>
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<td>a. Enter court disposition data</td>
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<td>b. Enter protective orders into the National Crime Information Center (NCIC) Protection Order Filea</td>
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<td>c. Enter sex offenders into the National Sex Offender Registry (NSOR) (NOTE: NCIC file – not NSOPW)b</td>
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K.5 To which of the following criminal history repositories does your tribal court submit final case disposition information (for example: convictions, protective orders)? (Select all that apply.)

☐ a. Tribal repository
☐ b. Local repository
☐ c. State repository
☐ d. Federal repository (for example: FBI CJIS)
☐ e. None of the above

K.6 Does your tribe maintain a sex offender registry?

☐ a. Yes
☐ b. No (GO TO ITEM K8)

K.7 How does your tribal court post registration information to the sex offender registry? (Select all that apply.)

☐ a. Tribal court posts through the state sex offender registry (connected to the National Sex Offender Public Website).
☐ b. Tribal court posts through a tribal sex offender registry (connected to the National Sex Offender Public Website).
☐ c. Tribal court posts through a tribal sex offender registry (NOT connected to the National Sex Offender Public Website).
☐ d. Tribal court does not post sex offender registry information.
☐ e. Other: (Please describe) ____________________________

The FBI Criminal Justice Information Services (CJIS) provides criminal justice database access and data entry for criminal justice purposes.

K.8 (GO TO ITEM K9)
K.8 Does your tribe operate its own victim notification system?
   □ a. Yes
   □ b. No
   □ c. Not sure/do not know

K.9 Does your tribe have an agreement with the state to participate in a state victim notification system?
   □ a. Yes
   □ b. No
   □ c. Not sure/do not know

K.10 Does your tribal court maintain a restraining order and/or protection order registry?
   □ a. Yes
   □ b. No
   □ c. Not sure/do not know

The survey is now complete. Thank you for taking part in the 2014 National Survey of Tribal Court Systems.

If you have questions or would like to speak with someone about your experience, please call toll free and leave a message at 1-877-528-4025 or send an email message to NSTCS@kauffmaninc.com. A member of our survey administration team will respond promptly.

Again, thank you for your cooperation in this important data collection effort. Your responses are critically important to the success of this survey.