

# **Joseph T. Preston**

## **Attorney at Law**

Following his graduation from high school in 2001, Joseph moved to Alaska for two years and volunteered his time as a service missionary for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Joseph then pursued a degree in Political Science from Brigham Young University. His final semester in college was spent as an intern for U.S. Senator Michael Crapo in Washington D.C. His duties as an intern included researching pending legislation and giving tours of the United States Capitol Building. Joseph then attended Brigham Young University's J. Reuben Clark Law School. Joseph graduated *cum laude* and was very involved in many extracurricular activities including serving as the Managing Editor of Submissions for the Journal of Public Law, the Woody Deem trial advocacy competition, and as a semi-finalist in the negotiation competition.

After law school, Joseph took a position as a judicial staff attorney for the Honorable David C. Nye, Idaho State Sixth Judicial District Court Judge. Joseph joined Echo Hawk & Olsen (formerly Echo Hawk Law) in May of 2013. Joseph's practice has focused extensively on Indian Law, including Federal Indian Probate, drafting Indian wills, land use laws, tribal employment rights, jurisdiction, taxes, treaty rights, economic development, contracts, and code revision matters.

Joseph is admitted to practice in all Idaho State Courts and the United States District and Bankruptcy Courts in the District of Idaho.

### **Education**

- Brigham Young University (B.S. Political Science)
- Brigham Young University J. Reuben Clark Law School (*cum laude*)

### **Professional Activities**

- Managing Editor for the Journal of Public Law
- Entrant in the Woody Deem trial advocacy competition
- Staff attorney to Honorable David C. Nye

### **Practice Areas**

- Indian Law
- Civil Litigation
- Minority Business Enterprises- 8(a)
- Business Organization
- Taxation

- Estate/Probate preparation
- Contracts
- Bankruptcy