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Joe Fincher began his legal career with Hall Estill and has been with the firm for more than 30 years. His primary practice areas are Indian Law and Intellectual Property and he has a BV rating through Martindale-Hubbell. Highlights of his career include:

- Extensive experience in negotiation of gaming-related agreements.
- Obtained numerous federal trademark registrations.
- Registration of franchises in all registration states (except Hawaii) for Oklahoma City-based corporations.
- Testified before Nebraska Unicameral Legislature on Indian Law issues.

Education

- Duke University School of Law (J.D., *with honors*, 1984)
- University of Notre Dame (B.A. in Government and International Studies, *Highest Honors*, 1981)

Admissions

- Cherokee Tribal Court
- Oklahoma, 1984
- United States Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit

Practices

- Franchising

- Indian Law
- Copyrights
- Water Law & Land Rights
- Licensing
- Trademarks

Legal Experience

- 1984 - Present Hall Estill

Professional Involvement

- Oklahoma Bar Association
- Tulsa County Bar Association
- Federal Bar Association

Teaching/Lecture Experience

- Tulsa County Bar Association CLE, Speaker, "Indian Law," December 3, 1999.
- University of Tulsa, Annual Accounting Conference, "Indian Tax Incentives," April 30, 1997.
- Co-author, "Business Transactions in Indian Country," published in *Sovereignty Symposium VIII (1995)*
- National Association of Lease and Title Analysts, Annual Conference, September 16, 1994, "Indian Mineral Leasing Issues."
- Oklahoma Banker's Association, Workshop on Lending to Native Americans, April 29, 1994, "Indian Mineral Leasing Issues."
- Co-author, "Indian and Federal Oil and Gas Leasing and Royalty Valuation," *NADOA 20th Annual Institute Journal, Volume 5 (1993)*
- University of Arizona, 18th Annual Symposium on Racing, December 3-6, 1991, "Impacts on Horse Racing of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act of 1988."
- University of Nevada-Reno, Seminar on National and International Trends in Gaming, December 4-5, 1990, "Analysis of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act of 1988."