The Task Force on Federal Acknowledgment addresses issues regarding the exercise and acknowledgement of tribal sovereignty with a particular focus on the federal recognition process. Since the 1970’s, NCAI has supported a federal process of recognition for Indian tribes that have maintained tribal relations from historical times. The current administrative recognition process has deteriorated with decades-long delays and questions about the fairness and integrity of the process. The Task Force meeting provides a strategic networking opportunity for those working to protect the rights of tribal nations and citizens in light of national and global issues.

1) Opening Prayer

2) Welcome and Introductions

3) Carcieri Update – Recent Lower Court Outcomes

4) Tribal Updates

5) Closing Prayer