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Navajo Nation Human Rights Commission is hosting a Hate Crimes Awareness Seminar.

The Navajo Nation Human Rights Commission ("Commission") will be hosting a Hate Crimes Awareness Seminar, on June 20, 2018 from 10:00AM to 3:30PM at Albuquerque Indian Center, 105 Texas St SE, Albuquerque, NM 87108. Before the Hate Crimes Awareness seminar there will be a Navajo Protection Ceremony from 8:30-9:30AM, which is open to anyone who wants to participate.

What: Hate Crimes Awareness Seminar

When: June 20, 2018

Time: Starting at 10:00A.M.

Where: Albuquerque Indian Center, 105 Texas St SE, Albuquerque, NM 87108

Topics include **What is a Hate Crime? What is the Legal Standard to Pursue Hate Crime Charges?** Presentation by Arusha Gordon, *Attorney* and Josué Romualdo, *Assistant Coordinator Stop Hate Project*, Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law; **City of Albuquerque update on Department of Justice Agreement** by Edward W. Harness, ESQ, *Executive Director*, Albuquerque Civilian Police Oversight Agency; **Hate Crimes in New Mexico** Presentation by Javier Almodovar, *Supervisory Special Agent*, Federal Bureau of Investigation; **The Vincent Kee Trial, the First Hate Crime Case pursued under the Matthew Shepard and James Byrd, Jr., Hate Crimes Prevention Act.** Presentation by Kyle T. Nayback, *Supervisory Assistant U.S. Attorney*, Indian Country Crimes Section, and Roberto Ortega, *Attorney*, U.S. Attorney's Office

If you have any additional questions regarding the seminar contact the Commission at 928-871-7436 during regular Commission hours.

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