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Few issues in the American West are as pressing or as vexing as the escalating water crisis. As water in the West continues to dry up, Tribal water rights become increasingly critical with every passing year. In an American Bar Association article, Special Counsel Lenny Powell discusses the recent US Supreme Court decision in *Arizona v. Navajo Nation* that is likely to shape future Tribal efforts to secure much-needed water resources.

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