

# Ambassador Keith Harper Receives Georgetown Law's O'Neill Institute Lifetime Achievement Award in Human Rights

## Recognition

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Partner Keith Harper, former US Ambassador to the United Nations Human Rights Council, received Georgetown Law's O'Neill Institute Lifetime Achievement Award in Human Rights at their annual Legacy Award Dinner on September 11.

The Legacy Award Dinner recognizes those who have dedicated their lives to the fight for human rights, academic excellence, and the fearless pursuit of justice.

"Receiving the Lifetime Achievement Award in Human Rights is humbling and I am honored by it," said Keith. "Human rights promotion is grounded in the idea of ensuring human dignity for all, everywhere. I have been so fortunate to work alongside so many dedicated human rights advocates whether in ensuring tribal sovereignty here at home or advocating for protections of women, men and communities all over the world. I accept this honor on behalf of all those who continue to fight for a more just world, those who persevere despite challenges."

Keith focuses his practice on Native American affairs, litigation, and human rights. From 2014 until 2017, he served as the US Ambassador and Permanent Representative to the United Nations Human Rights Council in Geneva, Switzerland. A citizen of the Cherokee Nation, Keith is the first Native American to be named a US Ambassador.

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