

Dianne Barker Harrold

Dianne Barker Harrold, an enrolled member of the Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma, has served as tribal judge for thirteen Indian tribes in Oklahoma and then went on to serve as the elected District Attorney for eight years in four counties in Northeast Oklahoma, serving as the first Native American District Attorney for the State of Oklahoma. While serving as District Attorney, Ms. Barker Harrold established drug courts in each of the 4 counties of her district, two of which are still in operation. Previously, she served as Attorney General, General Counsel and Director of the Legal Assistance for Victims for the United Keetoowah Band of Cherokee Indians in Oklahoma and now holds the position of Special Advisor to the Chief. She also currently serves as the Associate Tribal Judge for the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma.

Dianne was one of the founding mothers of the domestic violence shelter, Help-in-Crisis, in Tahlequah, Oklahoma, which is now in its 33rd year of service.