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Tribal Traditional Law in Practice
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Rod is Todikozi (Salt Water), born for Biih Bitoodnii (Deer Spring), maternal grandfathers are Kinyaanii (Towering House), and paternal grandfathers are Tsinaajinii (Black Streak Wood People). Born and raised primarily on the Navajo Reservation, Rod continues to reside within the central part of the Navajo Nation. Rod and his wife have four children. He received his undergraduate degree from Arizona State University and his law degree from the University of Tulsa, College of Law. Rod began his legal career with the Navajo Department of Justice and then worked as a Staff Attorney at two courts within the Navajo Nation Judicial Branch before returning back to Navajo DOJ. During his second DOJ tenure, Rod has served as the Assistant Attorney General for three different DOJ Units. Additionally, he was appointed as Deputy Attorney General of the Navajo Nation. Currently, Rod is the Assistant Attorney General for the DOJ Chapter Unit providing legal services primarily for up to 110 Navajo Nation Chapters which are local governments operating within the Navajo tribal government.

