

Donald “Del” Laverdure

Del Laverdure is an enrolled citizen of the Crow Nation and is a member of the Ties the Bundle Clan on his Mother’s side. He is a descendant of the Little Shell Band of Chippewa Indians on his father’s side. Del is an active participant in indigenous and intergenerational ceremonies and his work is born out of his lifelong relationships with indigenous families and communities and healing from intergenerational trauma. Del has been integrating indigenous healing arts with the study of contemporary healing / wellness modalities across the world.

Over his professional career, Del has served many tribal nations in a wide variety of capacities including testifying and advocating for tribal legislation in Congress, guiding indigenous communities through federal agencies to obtain much needed resources, and navigating intergovernmental relations at all levels on a wide spectrum of indigenous issues. Del has served as a legal counselor for 24 years, held a U.S. presidential appointment from 2009-2012, held numerous tribal judgeships, was an assistant professor of law, and was director of two indigenous law centers. Del earned his Bachelor of Science degree in Civil Engineering in 1995 and his Juris Doctor in 1999.