



## PHOENIX REGION DIRECTOR LANCE VALLO



Lance Vallo (Pueblo of Acoma) is the Phoenix Region Director at the National Indian Gaming Commission. As Region Director, he is responsible for the technical assistance, training and compliance at 54 Indian gaming facilities owned and operated by 33 federally recognized tribes located in Arizona, Colorado, New Mexico and southern Nevada.

Vallo became Phoenix Region Director in Nov. 2011. He joined the NIGC in May 1999 as a Field Investigator. Prior to joining the NIGC, he worked for the Pueblo of Acoma Gaming Commission from 1994 to 1999. Vallo served two years as the Commission's Vice Chair and three years as the Executive Director. He has received various awards and accolades during his time in Indian gaming.

*The [Indian Gaming Regulatory Act](#) created the National Indian Gaming Commission to support tribal self-sufficiency and the integrity of Indian gaming. The NIGC has developed four initiatives to support its mission including (1) To protect against anything that amounts to gamesmanship on the backs of tribes; (2) To stay ahead of the Technology Curve; (3) Rural outreach; and (4) To maintain a strong workforce within NIGC and with its tribal regulatory partners. NIGC oversees the efficient regulation of*

*497 gaming establishments operated by 244 tribes across 29 states. The Commission's dedication to compliance with the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act ensures the integrity of the growing \$29.9 billion Indian gaming industry. To learn more, visit [www.nigc.gov](http://www.nigc.gov) and follow us on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).*

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