



Biography

DIRECTOR OF COMPLIANCE DUSTIN THOMAS



Dustin Thomas (Mohawk) is the Director of Compliance for the National Indian Gaming Commission, an independent federal regulatory agency established within the Department of the Interior. In this position, Thomas monitors compliance of tribal gaming operations in accordance with the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act and NIGC regulations for the Division of Compliance, which encompasses seven regional offices and the audit and training programs.;

Prior to joining the agency, Thomas served as the Chief Risk and Compliance Officer for the Potawatomi Hotel and Casino. His work focused on executive leadership for Compliance, Internal Audit, Security and Risk & Safety. Thomas began his gaming career in 2005, in operations as a Security Officer for the Seneca Gaming Corporation and eventually became the Lead Gaming Inspector for the Seneca Gaming Authority, overseeing regulatory compliance for the Seneca Gaming Corporation and Seneca Gaming and Entertainment.

Thomas received a Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice and Law from California University of Pennsylvania, California, PA in 2005 and a Masters of Business Administration from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Milwaukee, WI in 2014. He also holds professional certifications as a Certified Fraud Examiner (CFE) and Certified Compliance and Ethics Professional (CCEP).

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 and follow us on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).

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