



# Biography

## DC REGION DIRECTOR & DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF SELF-REGULATION SHAWNNA CASTELLANO



Shawna Castellano is a member of the Lac Courte Oreilles Band of Ojibwe and serves as the DC Region Director and the Deputy Director of the Office of Self-Regulation. As Region Director, she is responsible for technical assistance, training, and compliance with the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act for 43 Indian gaming facilities owned and operated by 15 federally recognized tribes in Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi, Florida, North Carolina, Connecticut, and New York.

Castellano joined the agency in 2011 as a Compliance Officer in the St. Paul Region Office. Prior to joining the NIGC, she was a Senior Compliance Officer with the Potawatomi Hotel and Casino, Internal Auditor with the LacCourte Oreilles Gaming Commission, and Audit Specialist/Gaming VarianceAnalyst with the Lac Courte Oreilles Casino.

Castellano has over 20 years of gaming experience and holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Legal Studies from Post University in Waterbury, CT and is a Certified Fraud Examiner.

*The Indian Gaming Regulatory Act created the [National Indian Gaming Commission](#) to support tribal self-sufficiency and the integrity of Indian gaming. NIGC oversees the efficient regulation of more than 500 gaming establishments operated by 250 tribes across 29 states.*

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