



On Monday, September 26<sup>th</sup>, I had the privilege to visit the Oneida Nation of Wisconsin's gaming commission. Chairman Mark Powless and the Commission's leadership, members, and legal team graciously hosted me at their office. I am grateful for the discussion, as well as the contributions your Nation's commission continues to make at the national level.

During our conversation, I discussed the NIGC attention to Criminal History Record Information practices. This topic has been a challenge for all tribes' gaming commissions, and it is a challenge that grew out of the NIGC's need to reconcile its past practices based on Federal Bureau of Investigation requirements.

I informed the commission that over the last two years the NIGC has addressed a number of FBI audit findings related to managing criminal history information and security policies. I also discussed how despite the challenges of the pandemic, tribal gaming commissions across the country like Oneida's have been invaluable partners and I am grateful their efforts.

NIGC in recent years has had a focus on the topic of the regulatory community's preparedness and I would be like specifically to recognize Chairman Powless for leading a very successful training session as part of the NIGC's national training topic on active shooters. His insights were invaluable.

My visit was productive, and I again thank the Nation for their hospitality, exchange of ideas, and willing to meet on such important topics.

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