The National Indian Gaming Commission is comprised of a Chair, appointed by the President and confirmed by the Senate and two additional commissioners appointed by the Secretary of the Interior.

The National Indian Gaming Commission is committed to fulfilling its responsibilities by:

Regulating and monitoring certain aspects of Indian gaming;

Coordinating its regulatory responsibilities with tribal regulatory agencies through the review and approval of tribal gaming ordinances and management agreements;

Reviewing the backgrounds of individuals and entities to ensure the suitability of those seeking to manage or invest in Indian gaming;

Overseeing and reviewing the conduct and regulation of Indian gaming operations;

Referring law enforcement matters to appropriate tribal, Federal and state entities.

BACKGROUND INVESTIGATIONS
To ensure crime doesn't gain a foothold in Indian gaming, we conduct criminal background investigations in conjunction with the FBI. Our investigations are among the most thorough in the nation.

In 2014, the Commission processed nearly 72,000 fingerprint cards for tribal gaming commissions.

AUDITS and ON-SITE INVESTIGATIONS
The Indian Gaming Regulatory Act requires each tribe to conduct yearly independent audits, ensuring the integrity of Indian gaming. These yearly audits are submitted to the NIGC for review and in-depth analysis.

Additionally, the NIGC conducts in-depth audits and on-site “spot” checks. In 2013, we audited approximately 6-percent of Indian gaming establishments, exceeding the IRS audit standard of 1.5-percent.

PROMULGATE REGULATIONS
The Commission has embarked on a regulatory review with tribes, tribal regulators and the public to ensure 21st century regulations for a 21st century industry.

Since 2010, the Commission has held more than 50 consultations, considered 20 regulations or potential regulations with 16 of those being adopted and implemented.

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND TRAINING FOR TRIBES
The NIGC provides technical assistance and training for tribes to ensure compliance with the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act and to improve the functioning of their gaming operations and regulatory authorities.

In FY 2014 the NIGC conducted 322 training events comprising of nearly 870 training hours for more than 2,000 training participants.

Sample Courses:
Tribal Backgrounds and Licensing
Tribal Gaming Commissioners – Duties and Responsibilities
Resources for Tribal Gaming Regulatory Authorities
Facility Licensing Regulations
Regulating Gaming Technology
Information Technology
Surveillance
NIGC Fee Calculation
WHO WE ARE
We are an independent federal regulatory agency within the Department of the Interior. Congress established the agency through the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act in 1988 to:

Promote tribal economic development, self-sufficiency and strong tribal governments;

Maintain the integrity of the Indian gaming industry and;

Ensure that tribes are the primary beneficiaries of their gaming activities.

WHAT WE DO
To achieve our Congressional mandate, the Commission adheres to the principles of good government, including transparency and agency accountability; promoting fiscal responsibility; operating with consistency and clarity to ensure fairness in the administration of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act; and to respect the capabilities and responsibilities of each sovereign tribal nation in order to fully promote tribal economic development, self-sufficiency and strong tribal governments.

AGENCY FUNDING
No taxes are used to fund the Agency. The Agency is funded through fees paid by Indian gaming establishments.

“We recommit to supporting tribal self-determination, security, and prosperity for all Native Americans.”

- President Barack Obama
October 29, 2010