



Biography

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Prior to joining the NIGC, Sharon served as General Counsel for Tribal Operations for the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan. Sharon served as General Counsel for the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan for 3 years and prior to that worked in the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan's Legal Department for 7 years as a Senior Associate General Counsel and Associate General Counsel.

Sharon graduated Cum Laude from Central Michigan University in 2003 with a Bachelor of Science degree. She graduated from Michigan State University College of Law in 2009 with a Juris Doctor degree and a certificate from the Indigenous Law & Policy Center.

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 524 gaming establishments operated by 248 tribes across 29 states.

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