



Biography

DIRECTOR OF TECHNOLOGY TRAVIS WALDO



Travis Waldo is the first Director of Technology for the National Indian Gaming Commission, an independent federal regulatory agency established within the Department of the Interior. His role is to harness technology both internally and externally to provide increased and integrated technology for enhancing the Commission's regulatory mission and supporting tribes and tribal regulators. Additionally, he provides the agency with information technology and telecommunications products, services and solutions. He is responsible for critical technological development in systems modifications, network enhancement, data management, data security and operational support.

Waldo's extensive experience in information technology, law enforcement and audits lends valuable knowledge and insight to the Division of Technology. Prior to accepting his appointment, Waldo was as a senior IT Auditor at the NIGC. Before joining the agency in 2013, he was a Gaming Systems Analyst for one of the largest Native American tribes in the United States where he served since 2005. In his position, he was responsible for regulating the gaming systems and activities of multiple gaming facilities owned and operated by the tribe. He has been working in information technology since 1999. Prior to working in the gaming industry, he worked as a Systems Administrator and Network Engineer. Waldo also served as deputy sheriff where his experience and skills were utilized in conducting cybercrimes investigations and data forensics.

Waldo received his bachelor's degree in Science from Arkansas Tech University, Russellville, Ark. in 1998. He also holds professional certifications including CCNA, CEH and Network+ among others.

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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