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Michael Hoenig named General Counsel of the National Indian Gaming Commission

WASHINGTON, September 3, 2015 – National Indian Gaming Commission (NIGC) Chairman Jonodev Chaudhuri announced Michael Hoenig as the Commission’s General Counsel. Hoenig has been with the NIGC for nine years, serving first as the NIGC Office of General Counsel Staff Attorney and most recently as Associate General Counsel. Hoenig will continue to adhere to the Commission’s commitment to the sound regulation of Indian gaming under the mandates of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act.

“Michael has proven time and again to be a tremendous asset to the NIGC,” stated Chairman Chaudhuri. “Throughout his service to the Commission, Michael has shown his dedication to the agency’s mission of upholding the integrity of Indian gaming and he has been a steadfast source of legal expertise. I am confident in his abilities to take on the responsibilities to both the Office of General Counsel and to the agency as a whole.”

Prior to joining the NIGC, Hoenig served as Counsel to Chickasaw Nation Ambassador Charles Blackwell and as Counsel to Native Affairs Development Group, a Washington, DC based company focused on economic development in Indian Country. Hoenig also provided legal services to members the Muscogee Creek Nation through his work at the University of Tulsa’s Boesche Legal Clinic and worked as a Clerk for the Sitka Tribe of Alaska’s General Counsel.

“I am humbly grateful to serve as the NIGC’s General Counsel, and in turn, serve tribal gaming communities,” stated Hoenig. “Throughout my years of working for the Commission, I have gained tremendous respect for my colleagues both in the agency and those out in the field. I look forward to continuing my work in ensuring that the Indian gaming industry remains robust in both integrity and safety.”

The [National Indian Gaming Commission](#) is committed to the prompt and efficient regulation of the Indian gaming industry spanning more than 450 gaming establishments, associated with nearly 242 tribes across 28 states. The Commission’s dedication to compliance with the [Indian Gaming Regulatory Act](#) ensures the integrity of the \$28 billion Indian gaming industry. To learn more, visit www.nigc.gov and follow us on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).

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The National Indian Gaming Commission is an independent regulatory agency established within the Department of the Interior pursuant to the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act of 1988.