




City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

Appointee Name: Claudia Kauffman		
Board/Commission Name: Seattle Indian Services Commission		Position Title: Member/Chair
<input type="checkbox"/> Appointment <i>OR</i> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reappointment		City Council Confirmation required? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Appointing Authority: <input type="checkbox"/> City Council <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mayor <input type="checkbox"/> Other		Term of Position: * 11/1/2022 to 10/31/2025 <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Serving remaining term of a vacant position</i>
Residential Neighborhood: Kent, WA	Zip Code: 98030	Contact Phone No.: N/A
Background: See attached resume. This reappointment represents Ms. Kauffman's fourth (4 th) term.		
Authorizing Signature (original signature):  Date Signed (appointed): 7/7/2022		Appointing Signatory: Bruce A. Harrell Mayor of Seattle

*Term begin and end date is fixed and tied to the position and not the appointment date.

CLAUDIA KAUFFMAN

EXECUTIVE PROFILE

- Elected Washington State Senator for the 47th LD.
- Policy development, coordination with stakeholders, and outreach to colleagues to work bipartisan to further the creation of good policies and funding.
- Wide ranging and diverse leadership experience in state government, policy making, budgeting
- Strategic communications, collaborative leadership, resource development.
- Executive leadership with vision and exceptional networking and relationship building skills and experience.
- Results focused, creative problem solver, and out of the box thinking with organizational attributes

QUALIFICATIONS

Directs policies and objectives involving local, state, federal, and tribal governments through legislative process and established relationships and organization interests
Recommend and process political campaign and issue campaign contributions
Extensive experience in working with non-profit boards, commissions, and committees. Experience in fundraising, partnerships, and collaboration to build and work with grassroots community.
Demonstrated commitment to diversity, inclusion, and social responsibility.
Coordinate the charitable giving of over \$1.6 million dollars per year

EDUCATION

Associate of Arts & Sciences – Northwest Indian College
Project Management for Business Professionals Certificate – University of Washington

ELECTED EXPERIENCE

Washington State Senator – 47th Legislative District Legislative Building Room 414 – Olympia, WA 98504

Elected State Senator representing the 47th Legislative District. Senate Committees: Early Learning/K-12 Education (Vice Chair); Transportation; Trade & Economic Development; Human Services & Corrections; and Rules Committee. Elected Assistant Majority Whip.

A recognized leader in the Senate of early learning and successful champion of children’s issues, basic education, and addressing the education achievement gap in WA State. Successfully increased low-income housing availability through budget and policy; addressed consumer protection issues with sweeping policy changes; addressed the foreclosure process through policies that provide assistance and protection to homeowners; provided much need support to small business with technical assistance and training, created the Microenterprises Training Program in WA; and in transportation secured project support to local and statewide transportation issues.

WORK EXPERIENCE

2001 - Present Intergovernmental Affairs Liaison Muckleshoot Indian Tribe – Auburn, WA

Government Relations: Work with Tribal Council, lobbyist, consultants, and staff, to identify and develop annual federal and local legislative priorities, develop strategies for execution of agenda, and advance agenda. Work with staff and consultants to establish best practices on policy development that align with Tribal priorities and culture. Work within government processes, regulations and standards. Develop and maintain solid working relationships with elected officials, Tribal governments, staff, and community members.

Charitable Giving: Coordinate the Tribe charitable giving program which provides grants within Washington State. Created and worked with GIFTS for creation of online application processes and review. Make recommendations for funding, and follow up process. Establish and prioritize the Tribe's giving profile, strategic led planning, and focus on issue led programs of priority. Provide outreach to various communities of color, research organizations, public schools, non-profit communities, and grassroots organizations. These grant programs funded general operations, direct service programs, equipment, event sponsorship, and capital campaigns.

Targeted Grants & Contracts:

Problem Gambling & Smoking Cessation Grants

Review current service organizations, and make recommendation for the smoking cessation/problem gambling grant and contracts.

Muckleshoot Higher Education Scholarship Grants

Established the Muckleshoot Indian Tribe annual higher education scholarship program for Native students in Washington State. This serves the six public universities and 4 year colleges, as well as six local community and technical colleges, two Tribal Colleges.

Working With Diverse Groups: Key staff for outreach to local non-profit organizations from communities of color and hard to reach populations. Identified and supported activities for organization, cultivate relations and create new connections. Created semi-annual meetings and dinners with communities of color to discuss current issues, upcoming events, and how we can continue our close working relationships with our shared values. Former President, Minority Executive Directors Coalition.

1996 – 2001 Deputy Project Manager – People's Lodge Project United Indians of All Tribes Foundation

Program Development: Program development and coordination of the People's Lodge Project, a proposal for a multicultural facility to be constructed in the United Indians property within Discovery Park in Seattle. Responsible for outreach strategies on a local, community, federal, state, city and Tribal levels. Worked closely with stakeholders to help define the People's Lodge project, expected planning and development. Worked directly with administration on coordination of services, outreach, and strategic planning.

1992 – 1996 Oglala Sioux Tribe Rural Water Supply System

Easement Coordinator Worked with the Design Consultant, the Tribe, and federal agencies to design the easement department for the water pipeline system across the Oglala Sioux Tribe reservation.

HONORS & AWARDS

- 2018 **Recognition of Service Award** – *Green River College Board of Trustees*
- 2017 **Anne Foy Baker Award** – *Mary Mahoney Professional Nurses Organization*
- 2016 **Lifetime Achievement Award** – *Women Empowering Women In Native Nations*
- 2013 **Ruby Award for Women Helping Women** – *Soroptomist International Auburn Chapter*
- 2013 **Adeline Garcia Community Service Award** – *Seattle Indian Health Board*
- 2012 **Distinguished Community Service Award** – *University of Washington Multi-Cultural Alumni Partnership*
- 2011 **Contributions to Women’s History** – *University of Washington Women’s Center*
- 2011 **Recognition of Public Service** – *WA Women’s Political Caucus*
- 2011 **Flying Eagle Woman Award** – *Native Americans In Philanthropy*
- 2010 **Champion for Children** – *Children’s Alliance*
- 2010 **Golden Crayon Award** – *Early Learning Action Alliance*
- 2009 **Governor’s Award of Excellence for a Lifetime of Volunteering** – *WA Governor Christine Gregoire*
- 2009 **Honorary Fire Chief** – *Washington State Fire Chiefs*
- 2009 **Larry Gossett/Claudia Kauffman Youth Achievement Room** – *Neighborhood House High Point Community Center*
- 2009 **Champion for Children** – *Children’s Alliance*
- 2008 **Recognition for work on behalf of the City** – *Covington City Council*
- 2008 **Recognition of Support** – *Public School Employees*
- 2008 **Pearl Capoean Baller Award for Civic Involvement** – *Potlatch Fund*
- 2008 **Certificate of Appreciation** – *A Phillip Randolph Institute*
- 2008 **Certificate of Appreciation** – *Washington Indian Civil Rights Commission*
- 2007 **Champion for Children** – *Children’s Alliance*
- 2007 **Housing Hero** – *Low Income Housing Alliance*
- 2007 **Extraordinary Ordinary Woman Award** – *Highline Community College*
- 2007 **Native Sister Spirit Award** – *Native Action Network*
- 2007 **Certificate of Appreciation** – *Minority Executive Directors Coalition*
- 2007 **Elizabeth Peratovich Day Honoree** – *Tlingit & Haida Central Council*
- 2007 **Recognition of Contributions** – *The Evergreen State College*
- 2006 **Recognition of Achievement** – *Seattle Indian Health Board*
- 2006 **Champion of Youth** – *Boys & Girls Club of King County*
- 2004 **Strategic Leader for the 21st Century** – *Women of Color Empowered NW Asian Weekly*
- 2003 **Bernie Whitebear Unity Award** – *Minority Executive Directors Coalition*

VOLUNTEER WORK

- Current Member – Board, Native Action Network
- Current Member – Board, United Indians of All Tribes Foundation
- Current Member – Chair, Seattle Indian Services Commission Public Development Authority
- Current Member – Board Treasurer, Communities of Concern Commission
- Former Chair – Board of Trustees, Green River College
- Co-Founder – Native American Women Dialogue on Infant Mortality

- Foster Parent – took in 10 foster children

Seattle Indian Services Commission

June 2022

5 Members: Pursuant to Seattle Ordinance #103387 and Chartered in 1972, *All members subject to City Council confirmation, 3-year terms:*

- # City Council-appointed
- 1 Mayor-appointed
- 4 Other Appointing Authority-appointed (specify): Seattle Indian Services Commission Governing Council

Roster:

*D	**G	RD	Position No.	Position Title	Name	Term Begin Date	Term End Date	Term #	Appointed By
4	F		1.	Chair	Claudia Kauffman	11/01/2022	10/31/25	4	Mayor
4	F		2.	Secretary/Treasurer	Iris Friday	10/31/17	10/31/20	6	Governing Council
4	F		3.	Member	Colleen Echohawk-Hayashi	01/01/18	12/31/20	2	Governing Council
4	M		4.	Member	Michael Reichert	12/01/19	11/30/22	2	Governing Council
4	F		5.	Member	Misha Averill	07/01/20	06/30/23	1	Governing Council

SELF-IDENTIFIED DIVERSITY CHART

	(1)		(2)		(3)		(4)		(5)		(6)		(7)		(8)		(9)	
	Male	Female	Transgender	NB/ O/ U	Asian	Black/ African American	Hispanic/ Latino	American Indian/ Alaska Native	Other	Caucasian/ Non-Hispanic	Pacific Islander	Middle Eastern	Multiracial					
Mayor		1						1										
Council																		
Other	1	3						4										
Total	1	4						5										

Key:

*D List the corresponding *Diversity Chart* number (1 through 9)

**G List *gender*, M= Male, F= Female, T= Transgender, NB= Non-Binary O= Other U= Unknown

RD Residential Council District number 1 through 7 or N/A

Diversity information is self-identified and is voluntary.