

About Vice-President Rex Lee Jim: After serving as a ranking member on the Judiciary Committee and chairman of the Public Safety Committee within the 21st Navajo Nation Council, Delegate Rex Lee Jim was sworn in as Vice President of the Navajo Nation on January 11, 2011. Born and raised in Rock Point, a small farming and ranching community in northern Arizona, Vice President Jim attended the local school where he learned to read and write in Navajo. He is of the Kin Lichii'nii clan born for Tachii'nii. His maternal grandfather is Kin Yaa'aanii and his paternal grandfather is Naakaii Dine'e.

He has five children. Vice President Jim attended the Newfound School in Asheville, North Carolina, and graduated from Colorado Rocky Mountain School in Carbondale, Colorado. In high school, he was introduced to students from other countries and gained much appreciation for their unique languages and cultures. After graduating from Princeton University, Vice President Jim started work with the Rock Point Community School teaching Navajo to students K-12. During this time, he developed a curriculum for K-Graduate programs that was culturally and pedagogically appropriate for Navajo students. He has published books and produced plays using the Navajo language.

An author, playwright, and medicine man, Vice President Jim continues to make diplomatic trips abroad on behalf of the United Nations to improve relations between nation states and indigenous peoples. As a representative of the Carter Foundation, the Vice President has helped improve relations between the United States of America and the Andean Countries of Colombia, Venezuela, Bolivia, Peru and Ecuador. Vice President Jim played a key role in the drafting and final passage of the International Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples. On 16 December 2010, President Barack Obama declared that the United States is going to sign the declaration.