

Victoria L. Demmert, Tribal Council President, Yakutat Tlingit Tribe

Victoria L Demmert's Tlingit name is Kudukéit. She is K'inéix Kwaan, Raven moiety of the Bones of the Raven/Owl House. She is a child of the Eagle Teikweidei.

Victoria is a wife, mother, grandmother, and great grandmother. She enjoys the outdoor life, traditional gathering and preparation of local plants, seafood and animals. She enjoys teaching her grandchildren how to live with nature and be a part of it.

Victoria currently serves as the tribally elected President of the Yakutat Tlingit Tribe, the governing body of the Tribe, and has held this position for the past twelve years, from 2005-2017. She also holds an advisory position on the regional health board, the Southeast Alaska Regional Health Consortium (SEARHC), and previously served as the chair of the SEARHC board from 2008-2011. Victoria also serves as the Regional Housing Board Treasurer for the Tlingit Haida Regional Housing Authority (THRHA).

Victoria's former professional experience is varied and accomplished and includes holding the positions of:

- General Manager of the Yak-Tat Kwaan, ANCSA village Corporation
- General Manager of the Yakutat Tlingit Tribe and Yakutat Community Health Center
- Mayor of Yakutat
- City and Borough of Yakutat Assembly Member
- State of Alaska Magistrate/Coroner for the community of Yakutat
- Yakutat School Board member- 5 years
- Yakutat School Board President- 10 years
- Alaska Head Start Council and Rural Cap Board- 3 years
- Alaska Native Sisterhood Camp 13, past president and current member since 1962
- Co-owner with husband of Raven's Table LLC., (a seafood processor retail outlet of smoked salmon products)

Victoria believes that "we reflect our ancestor's good wishes for the next generations. We are responsible to our Creator God and those who came before us to leave a better world, to show love and compassion. To be involved."

She also lives by the words of her grandfather Olaf Abraham so said "Remember a good leader is servant of the people. You are responsible to them and carry their trust. You must never abuse it."