

Quinault Indian Nation

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Fawn R. Sharp, President Quinault Indian Nation

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Fawn Sharp, a member of the Quinault Indian Nation, received her J.D. from the University of Washington, School of Law. She also holds an advanced certificate in International Human Rights Law from Oxford University. President Sharp attended Gonzaga University in Spokane, Washington, where she received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Criminal Justice.

Fawn Sharp is serving her fourth term as President of the Quinault Indian Nation (2006-2018), was recently reelected as President of the Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians (ATNI) for a second term (2014-2016), and recently elected to Vice President for the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI).

President Sharp was selected by United States Secretary of the Interior Kenneth Salazar to chair the Secretarial Commission on Trust Administration and Reform (2011-2013). She is also a member of the Board of Trustees for Grays Harbor College in Aberdeen, Washington.

Prior positions include Managing Attorney/Lead Counsel for the Quinault Indian Nation, Quinault Tribal Court Associate Judge; Administrative Law Judge for the Washington State Department of Revenue Tax Appeals Division, and practiced law with the law firm of Phillips, Krause & Brown. Prior to becoming an attorney, Fawn held positions at the US Central Intelligence Agency and the Washington State Department of Corrections.

President Sharp resides on the Quinault Indian Reservation at Lake Quinault with her husband Dan Malvini and their three sons, Daniel, Alijah, Jonas, and daughter, Chiara.