

Chairman Terry Rambler San Carlos Apache Tribe

Terry Rambler is a member of the San Carlos Apache Tribe and speaks and understands the Apache language. He was elected Chairman of the Tribe in 2010, 2014, 2018, and 2022 and has served on the Tribal Council since 2004. He served as Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Arizona Indian Gaming Association. He has served as President and Vice President of the Inter-Tribal Council of Arizona, now known as Inter Tribal Association of Arizona). He has served as Vice President and Secretary/Treasurer of the Apache Alliance.

As Tribal Chairman, Rambler has focused on projects that meet critical needs for his people, such as improving education, improving public safety, creating jobs, providing better health care, and developing infrastructure. To address high unemployment rates, Chairman Rambler's administration established the San Carlos Training Institute where Tribal members are being trained as heavy equipment operators, diesel mechanics, electricians, welders, and plant equipment operators. The Rambler Administration also spearheaded the 2017 opening of the San Carlos Apache College on the Reservation. His Administration opened the Apache Sky Casino in 2017, generating over 200 jobs.

The Rambler Administration helped complete construction of a new hospital and medical campus in 2015. The new hospital has not only improved health care for Tribal members, it has provided professional and administrative job opportunities, employing over 600 people. The Rambler Administration spearheaded plans by the Tribal Council to assume the management and operation of the I.H.S. San Carlos Service Unit through a P.L. 93-638 self-determination contract in July 2015.

His Administration is leading efforts for the Tribe to ensure full implementation of the Tribe's water settlement legislation and formed a nationwide coalition to save sacred sites. Chairman Rambler helped negotiate a 2017 \$60.3 million settlement in 2017 with the federal government for mismanagement of the Tribe's natural resources.

As a Councilman representing the Bylas District from 2004-10, Rambler served as Chairman of the Transportation Committee, the Finance Committee and the Housing Board. He helped prioritize planning, design and construction of major road improvements in Bylas. He helped develop a community master plan to open up new lands for housing, school, farming and business development. During this time, the Tribal Council appointed him as Acting Tribal Treasurer for one year to help improve the Tribe's financial management system.

From 2004-12, Rambler served on the Fort Thomas Unified School District Board. As a board member, he helped build a new learning center which led to the formation of an Alternative School. The school has since graduated many Apache youth that would've dropped out of school. The board also initiated the first stages of a new elementary school in Bylas. The school opened in the fall of 2015 serving grades K-2 and now serves K-4.

Chairman Rambler is a single parent, having raised his three younger children to adulthood. Chairman Rambler has a strong faith and believes in the power of prayer.