

KARLIN JOSEPH ITCHOAK

“NAGEAK”



EDUCATION

GONZAGA UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW **SPOKANE, WA**
Graduated May 2003: *Juris Doctorate*

UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA FAIRBANKS – DUAL BACHELOR OF ARTS **FAIRBANKS, AK**
Graduated May 1995: B.A. in Political Science
Graduated May 1996: B.A. in Alaska Native Studies (Leadership Honors)
1995: Outstanding Achievement Award in Alaska Native Studies
1994: UA President’s Award – Tuition Waiver
1993–1994: UAF Student Body President

WORK EXPERIENCE

THE WILDERNESS SOCIETY **ANCHOORAGE, AK**
Senior Regional Director (Alaska Region) June 2022 – Present
As the Senior Regional Director, I serve as a senior member of The Wilderness Society’s Conservation team working to unite people to protect America’s wild places. I develop and lead the organization’s work in Alaska and am responsible for developing strategic partnerships, fundraising, directing and/or leading campaigns, and managing staff and budget. Additionally, I work as the organizational lead for the Alaska program, focusing on policy, science, Indigenous rights, community-led conservation and climate change, among many other responsibilities. I am also charged with continuing and building upon TWS’s leading role in Alaska conservation by working closely with other Alaska conservation groups on protecting Alaska's public lands, including the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge and Western Arctic Reserve.

THE WILDERNESS SOCIETY **ANCHOORAGE, AK**
Alaska State Director June 2019 – June 2022
As the Alaska State Director, I served as a senior member of The Wilderness Society’s Conservation team working to unite people to protect America’s wild places. I developed and led the organization’s work in Alaska and was responsible for developing strategic partnerships, fundraising, directing and leading campaigns, and managing staff and budget. Additionally, I managed staff in the Anchorage office and provided support, strategic guidance and direction to additional staff, within and outside of the regional office, who contributed to work in the state. As State Director I cultivated and managed relationships with a wide range of partners (including Alaska Native and conservation groups) as well as with federal, state, and tribal officials and their staffs to advance conservation outcomes and other shared goals developed with partners, including protecting our Arctic Refuge.

ARKTIKA COMPANY LLC **ANCHOORAGE, AK**
Silent Owner/Partner January 2019 – 2022
ArKtiKa Company provides consulting and advising services relating to Arctic business relations and partnerships; Arctic business development; Arctic policy and diplomacy development, and public engagement. We work to foster business connections in all eight Arctic Nations.

UKPEAGVIK INUPIAT CORPORATION (UIC)

Chief Administrative & Legal Officer (CALO)/(CAO)

ANCHORAGE, AK

January 2015 - August 2018

Reported directly to the UIC President and served as a C-level member of the Senior Executive Management team of a \$450 million-dollar Alaska Native Corporation. I oversaw the UIC Corporate Shared Support Services and was responsible for the development of the organization's strategic goals and managing outside legal counsel and all corporate legal matters. I was directly responsible for leading and directing the company's support services practices, policies, and systems.

Oversaw the entire Corporate Legal Affairs Department; Human Resources; Information Technology; HSET & Risk; Arctic Business Relations; Quality & Continuous Process Improvement; and Marketing & Communications Departments. Ensured lean, continuous improvement methodologies were maintained and followed throughout UIC with the objective of driving process efficiencies and quality improvement.

Established and monitored performance of excellence and development of department goals, assigned accountabilities, sets objectives, priorities, and conducted annual performance appraisals, and administered salary adjustments. Was a Senior member of the President's Council and kept the UIC President informed of all critical issues.

UKPEAGVIK INUPIAT CORPORATION

Director of Legal Affairs

ANCHORAGE, AK

June 2014 – January 2015

Oversaw the UIC Legal Affairs Department including supervised UIC's Paralegal and Legal Assistant. In addition, coordinated UIC's relationship with outside general counsel and managed the Legal Affairs' budget, internal case load, and worked to implement the Clean Umiaq Business Code of Ethics. I conducted extensive legal research, drafted and reviewed business agreements, legal filings, and other corporate documents.

INSTITUTE OF THE NORTH

Alaska Arctic Rural & Indigenous Program Director

ANCHORAGE, AK

September 2011 – June 2014

Coordinated and implemented the annual civic engagement program: "We The People of Alaska" (WTPA). WTPA is the Alaska Social Studies program for the Anchorage School District and requires recruiting over 30 subject matter experts to judge the close to 300 students participating in the program final exams. Organized and presented at the annual ANILCA training. Regularly teaches the section on Alaska Native perspectives on ANCSA & ANILCA with a legal historical background of both statutes. Worked on rural Alaska Arctic issues such as climate change, subsistence (food security), increased shipping in the arctic, resource management, youth leadership development, civic engagement, and sustainable arctic economic development. Traveled to Anadyr, Russia and helped arrange for 30 participants to join in the implementation of the Bering Strait Messenger Network and to attend the Beringia Days International Conference. Traveled to Iceland to assist with the organization and hosting of the Arctic Energy Summit. Worked on public and strategic engagement with Arctic Indigenous communities.

ETHAN BERKOWITZ'S CAMPAIGN FOR GOVERNOR

Rural Campaign Director

ANCHORAGE, AK

September 2010 – November 2010

Responsible for rural outreach on Mr. Berkowitz's campaign for Governor.

BRYON E. COLLINS & ASSOCIATES, LLC.

ANCHORAGE, AK

Paralegal

August 2009 – September 2010

Drafted, edited and re-typed motions, pleadings, affidavits, interrogatories, court briefs, client letters, and legal documents. Conducted statutory and common law research, pulled cases, shepardized, conducted Internet research, and performed regular office duties as assigned. Provided litigation support work, document management, discovery, initial disclosures, witness coordination and scheduling, exhibits, trial preparation, and trial support.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, DCRA

NOME, AK

Local Government Specialist

February 2008 - December 2008

Assisted rural municipalities with sewer and water project management and development. Provided technical assistance to municipalities regarding local ordinances, state statutes, budgeting, and other related government functions. Worked as a Rural Utility Business Advisor (RUBA) to assess rural community's ability to provide management and administration of local sanitation utilities.

LEGAL DEPARTMENT, Kawerak, Inc.

NOME, AK

Tribal Law Specialist

September 2005 - September 2006

Worked with fifteen village tribal courts and tribal governments on ordinance review and drafting. Provided the tribal leadership with assistance on various tribal court development issues. Drafted MOA's and resolutions for tribal governments on various issues. Chaired the Missing Persons Committee and spearheaded the meetings and efforts to continue investigations into the disappearance/unexplained deaths of over 25 Native people in the region.

ALASKA SUPERIOR COURT, Judge Ben Esch

NOME, AK

Judicial Law Clerk

September 2004 - August 2005

Conducted legal research and writing for Judge Esch on numerous cases before the court, including a high-profile murder case involving an ex-police officer. Reviewed and advised the Judge on various motions and other pleadings presented to the court. Reviewed orders and opinions and assisted in the administration of justice.

ALASKA COURT SYSTEM, Second Judicial District

NOME, AK

Deputy Magistrate

October 2004 - August 2005

While clerking for Judge Esch, I sat on the bench as a Deputy Magistrate with limited jurisdiction. Duties included conducting arraignments, sentencing, setting bail, setting conditions of release, issuing search warrants, and performing marriage ceremonies.

ALASKA SUPREME COURT,

Chief Justice Alexander O. Bryner

ANCHORAGE, AK

Judicial Law Clerk III

September 2003 - August 2004

Conducted research and writing on assigned cases from start to finish. Reviewed cases, briefs, pleadings, laws, and lower court opinions. Reviewed and edited opinions written by other justices. Drafted Opinions and Memorandum of Law for the Chief Justice.

TRIBAL AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT, Kawerak, Inc.

NOME, AK

Acting Tribal Affairs Director

March – July 2000

Assisted IRA Tribal Governments in exercising their tribal sovereignty, self-determination and home-rule. Managed, budgeted, and distributed over \$3,000,000.00 in pass-thru compact funds. Supervised 19 Tribal Coordinators and worked with 20 Rural Eskimo Tribal Governments in drafting tribal ordinances, resolutions, and provided assistance and guidance in managing tribal government affairs. Worked on various subsistence issues. Assisted the Tribes with strengthening their individual Tribal Courts and researching relevant American Native Indian Law. Supervised two accounting specialist and two tribal government specialists. Performed numerous personnel duties ranging from hiring, firing, and payroll, to evaluation and taking disciplinary action. Employee of the Month for June 2000.

MURPHY, HESSE, TOOMEY & LEHANE

QUINCY, MA

Legal Secretary/Paralegal

November 1999 – March 2000

Drafted, edited and re-typed motions, pleadings, affidavits, interrogatories, court briefs, client letters, and legal documents. Conducted statutory and common law research, pulled cases, shepardized, conducted Internet research, and performed regular office duties as assigned.

COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OFFICE,

Kawerak, Inc.

SHISHMAREF, AK

Economic Development Planner

April 1997 – June 1998

Developed and implemented the Bering Strait Overall Economic Development Plan for the Bering Strait ARDOR. Wrote grants & provided technical assistance to Native villages for increasing employment & improving quality of life. Facilitated community led rural economic development workshops throughout villages in the Bering Strait Region. Employee of the Month for March 1998.

LAW SCHOOL COMPETITIONS

- 2000 Negotiations Competition; Participant; Gonzaga School of Law
- 2001 Client Counseling Competition; Participant; Gonzaga School of Law

AWARDS

- 2008 Norton Sound Health Corporation Board Member of the Year Award
- 2009 Army Corps of Engineers Medal of Appreciation from Commanding General Peabody, Pacific Division
- 2002 CALI Award for highest grade in Legal Research & Writing III, Sec. 002.
- 1993 State of Alaska Commendation for Leadership; Recognition from Alaska State Governor Walter Hickel
- 1993 Legislative Citation for Leadership, Recognition from the Alaska State Legislature
- 1994 Shareholder of the Year Award for Excellence in Education; Doyon, Limited; Fairbanks, Alaska

INTERNSHIPS/FELLOWSHIPS

- 2003 General Public Practice Legal Intern, University Legal Services, Gonzaga School of Law; Spokane WA
- 2002 Litigation Support Intern, University Legal Services, Gonzaga School of Law; Spokane, WA
- 1996 National Fellow, Center for the Study of the Presidency; Washington, D.C.
- 1995 Public Broadcast Intern, Blueberry Products; Nome, AK
- 1993 Photojournalist Intern, The Nome Nugget Newspaper; Nome, AK
- 1993 Business Intern, Doyon, Ltd.; Fairbanks, AK
- 1992 Political Science Intern, U.S. Senator Ted Stevens; Fairbanks Office
- 1991 Legislative Intern, Alaska State Senator Fred Zharoff; Juneau Office
- 1989 Congressional Intern, U.S. Senator Frank Murkowski; Washington, D.C. Office

MEMBERSHIPS

2019 - 2022 The Alaska Center Board of Directors (Vice-Chair)
2013 - 2021 Alaska Institute for Justice Board of Directors
2014 - 2016 Alaska Natural History Museum Board of Directors
2008 - 2009 Alaska Legal Services Board of Directors (Kawerak Rep.)
2007 - 2009 Norton Sound Health Corporation Board of Directors (appointed to Exec. Committee)
2004 - 2009 Nome Eskimo Community Tribal Council (elected President)
2004 - 2008 Bering Strait Regional Wellness Forum (member)

REFERENCES

Available upon request.