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**Navajo Nation welcomes new  
Ethics and Rules Director Kandis Martine**

WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. — The Navajo Nation Office of Ethics and Rules announced a new director, Kandis Martine, on Monday, Feb. 3. Director Martine will be responsible for monitoring and enforcing compliance with the Navajo Nation Ethics in Government law.

Director Martine is Jicarilla Apache born for the Green Meadow People. She graduated from the University of New Mexico School of Law with a Juris Doctorate. Her undergraduate degree is from New Mexico State University in Las Cruces, N.M.

The Office of Ethics and Rules is situated in the Legislative Branch as an independent program that is also charged with maintaining a complete record of all materials related to standards of ethical conduct. The director reports to the executive director of the Office of Legislative Services.

After obtaining her law degree, Director Martine worked for the Lummi Tribe in the State of Washington. Martine also worked under the Northwest Intertribal Court System, which is one of the only intertribal court systems in the country. Director Martine is licensed to practice law in the State of New Mexico and in the Navajo Nation.

Most recently, Director Martine worked for the Navajo Nation Department of Justice as a staff attorney and assistant attorney general over a period of 16 years. Martine provided legal support to the Division of Social Services through DOJ in the area of child welfare.

Director Martine's first day was Jan. 21. More information on the Office of Ethics and Rules can be found at [www.nnethicsrules.navajo-nsn.gov](http://www.nnethicsrules.navajo-nsn.gov).

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