

## **Linda Baldwin**

**Director, Sex Offender Monitoring, Apprehending, Registering, and Tracking Office, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice**



Prior to joining the U.S. Department of Justice's SMART Office, Ms. Baldwin served as a project manager for the New York State Unified Court System's Office of Court Administration, where she planned and implemented groundbreaking problem-solving court initiatives on behalf of the Deputy Chief Administrative Judge for Court Operations and Planning. During her 7-year tenure, Ms. Baldwin implemented and expanded statewide initiatives for New York State's sex offense, mental health, and drug treatment courts.

As part of her work on the New York State Sex Offense Court Initiative, Ms. Baldwin organized training programs designed to teach and promote best practices for managing the high-risk population of sex offenders. She also led an effort to create the Initiative's mission statement and key principles, which were designed to guide and promote uniformity among these courts. Ms.

Baldwin personally provided technical assistance to the first five sex offense courts in New York State.

Prior to joining the New York State Unified Court System, Ms. Baldwin spent 8 years in private practice, concentrating in commercial litigation, real estate, and zoning law. She began her legal career as a law clerk for New Jersey Supreme Court Justice Gary S. Stein after receiving her law degree from Columbia University School of Law in 1993.

Before attending law school, Ms. Baldwin worked for 5 years for the City of New York's Department of Housing Preservation and Development and Department of City Planning. Ms. Baldwin received a master's degree in urban planning from the New York University Wagner School of Public Service in 1989 and a Bachelor of Arts degree from Amherst College in 1985.

## **Michael Black**

**Director, Bureau of Indian Affairs, U.S. Department of the Interior**



Mr. Black is an enrolled member of the Oglala Sioux Tribe in South Dakota and his appointment as Director of the BIA became effective on April 25, 2010. As Director of the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), he is responsible for managing the BIA's day-to-day operations through four offices: Indian Services, Justice Services, Trust Services, and Field Operations. These offices administer or fund tribally based infrastructure, law enforcement, social services, tribal governance, natural and energy resources, and trust management programs for 564 federally recognized American Indian and Alaska Native tribes in 33 states through 12 regional offices and 85 agencies.

Prior to becoming BIA director, Mr. Black had served since July 20, 2008, as Regional Director of the BIA's Great Plains Regional Office in Aberdeen, S.D., following an 8 month appointment starting in June 2007 as the acting regional director. The office oversees 12 agencies serving 16 federally recognized tribes in Nebraska, North Dakota, and South Dakota. Black began his federal career in 1987 with the BIA's Aberdeen Area Office (now the Great Plains Regional Office) as General Engineer in the Branch of Facilities Management. From 1992 to 2001, he worked in the BIA's Billings Area Office (now the Rocky Mountain Regional Office) as Regional Facility Manager where he was responsible for facilities construction and operations and maintenance programs. In December 2001, he was named Chief of the Office's Division of Engineering, where he was responsible for regional facility management, road construction, and road maintenance and safety programs. In January 2004, Black was promoted to the Rocky Mountain Regional Office's post of Deputy Regional Director-Indian Services, where he was responsible for the management and oversight of Road Construction, Road Maintenance, Tribal Government Services, Credit, Housing, Self-Determination, Social Services, Safety, and Environmental and Cultural Resources Management programs.

Mr. Black received a B.S. degree in Mechanical Engineering from the South Dakota School of Mines and Technology in 1986.