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Commissioner of Indian Affairs Morris Thompson announced today that Rebecca H. Dotson, a Navajo woman, has been appointed Superintendent of the Bureau of Indian Affairs' agency at Chinle, Arizona.

Ms. Dotson is the second Indian woman to hold an agency superintendent's position. She had been the education program administrator at the agency, one of five on the Navajo Reservation.

Ms. Dotson, 45, is a graduate of the Northern Arizona University and has a Master's degree from Arizona State University. Much of her career has been spent as a classroom teacher.

She became a teacher supervisor in 1970 and assistant principal in 1972 at the Bureau's Many Farms School in Chinle.

A member of Dine Bi Olta and the Navajo Division of Education of the Navajo Tribe, she has also been active in the League of Women Voters, the American Association of University Women and various educational organizations.