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For a Reception
AS-IA Conference Room 3624
(3rd Floor, Sixth Wing)
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“Tell your children that the time of shame and fear is over. Tell your young men and women to replace their anger with hope and love for their people. Together, we must wipe the tears of seven generations. Together we must allow our broken hearts to mend.”

*Kevin Gover
Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs
Never Again Apology Speech, September 8, 2000*



**2015
National
Native American Heritage Month**

NEVER AGAIN APOLOGY: 15 YEAR ANNIVERSARY



‘The Tree of Peach’ by Sam English, Ojibwe

**November 18, 2015
10:00 a.m. EST
Bison Bistro
Department of the Interior
Washington, DC 20240**



Kevin Gover (Pawnee Nation) has been director of the National Museum of the American Indian since December 2007, after serving on Arizona State University’s Sandra Day O’Connor College of Law faculty and that of ASU’s Indian Legal Program. He served as the seventh Assistant Secretary – Indian Affairs after being confirmed by the U.S. Senate in November 1997, holding the post until January 2001. Prior to that appointment, Mr. Gover in the mid-1980s established his own law firm, which grew into one of the largest Indi-

an-owned law firms in the country. During his career, Mr. Gover has served on committees of the Federal Bar Association and the American Bar Association, and on the boards of the Southwestern Association for Indian Art, Futures for Children, the Grand Canyon Trust, and the Federal Home Loan Bank of Dallas.



Kevin K. Washburn (Chickasaw Nation) is the 12th Assistant Secretary – Indian Affairs. He was confirmed by the U.S. Senate in September 2012. Previously, Mr. Washburn had served as Dean of the University of New Mexico School of Law, as the Rosentiel Distinguished Professor of Law at the University of Arizona James E. Rogers College of Law, and as an Associate Professor of Law at the University of Minnesota Law School. From 2007 to 2008, he was the Oneida Indian Nation Visiting Professor at Harvard Law School. He also has

served as the National Gaming Commission’s general counsel, as an Assistant U.S. Attorney in Albuquerque, N.M. and as a trial attorney in the Indian Resource Section of the U.S. Department of Justice.

Master of Ceremony

Nedra Darling

Director

DOI, Indian Affairs, Office of Public Affairs

Blessing

Jefferson Keel

Lt. Governor

Chickasaw Nation of Oklahoma

Honor Song

Echo-Hawk Neconie

DOI, Indian Affairs

Welcoming Remarks

Kevin K. Washburn

Assistant Secretary - Indian Affairs

Department of the Interior

The Never Again Apology Speech

Honored Guest

Kevin Gover

Director

National Museum of the American Indian

Discussion, Questions and Answers

Closing Prayer

Closing Song

Front Cover: The ‘Tree of Peace’ painting by Artist Sam English, Ojibwe was commissioned for the 175th Anniversary of the establishment of the BIA. It was used in print material for the event along with the theme, “Reconciling the Past, Trusting the Future. A Renewed Commitment to Indian Tribes for the 21st Century.”