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## Memorandum

To: Secretary

From: David W. Anderson   
Assistant Secretary – Indian Affairs

Subject: Request for a Secretarial Order Regarding Authorities Delegated to the  
Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary – Indian Affairs

The extensive outreach responsibilities of my position require frequent absences from the office. In addition, I have decided to expand my recusals to other issues potentially related to gaming issues. As a result, I have decided to recuse myself from active participation in all issues related to federal recognition, taking land into trust for gaming purposes, and gaming. Therefore, I ask that you authorize the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary – Indian Affairs to execute these documents including regulations and other Federal Register notice, and perform other duties related to the aforementioned issues.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.




THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR  
WASHINGTON

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Memorandum

To: David Anderson  
Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs

From: Gale A. Norton   
Secretary

Subject: Delegation of Authority

As you requested, I have completed the attached order delegating authority for gaming related matters to Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary Aurene Martin. Thank you for initiating this action to avoid any appearance of conflict of interest.

Earlier this month, I asked you for a status report on implementation of the strategic plan for improving the tribal recognition process. Because tribal recognition has now been delegated to Aurene, I will now redirect my request to her.

Attachment

cc: Aurene Martin



THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR  
WASHINGTON

ORDER NO. 3252

Subject: Authorities Delegated to the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary - Indian Affairs

**Sec. 1 Purpose.** The authority described in this Order expands the authority of the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary - Indian Affairs to include the exercise of certain program and administrative authorities of the Assistant Secretary - Indian Affairs.

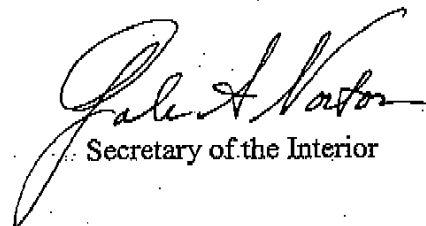
**Sec. 2 Authority.** This Order is issued in accordance with the authority provided by Section 2 of Reorganization Plan No. 3 of 1950 (64 Stat. 1262), as amended.

**Sec. 3 Delegation of Authority.** The authority of the Secretary is hereby delegated through the Assistant Secretary - Indian Affairs to the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary - Indian Affairs to execute all documents, including regulations and other Federal Register notices, and perform all other duties relating to federal recognition of Native American tribes, taking land into trust for gaming purposes, and other gaming matters. This delegation is in addition to the authorities delegated to the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary - Indian Affairs in 209 DM 8.

**Sec. 4 Re-delegation.** Subject to the limitations in Section 204 (a) of Public Law 94-579 and the limitations in 200 DM-1, these authorities may be further delegated.

**Sec. 5 Expiration Date.** This Order is effective immediately. It will remain in effect until its provisions are converted to the Departmental Manual or until it is amended, superseded, or revoked, whichever occurs first. In the absence of any of the foregoing actions, the provisions of this Order will expire and be considered obsolete on June 1, 2005.

Date: 4/9/04

  
Secretary of the Interior