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Leo J. Nolan III, an enrolled member of the St. Regis (Akwasasne) Mohawk Tribe of New York, began his career with the Indian Health Service (IHS), in 1986, as Chief of the Program Evaluation Branch at IHS Headquarters in Rockville, Maryland. In 1989, he was selected as Director of the Division of Program Evaluation and Policy Analysis. In September 1995, he was appointed as the Acting Associate Director for the Office of Planning, Evaluation, and Legislation, which became a unit within the Office of Public Health as a result of the reorganization of Headquarters in 1997. In 1998, he served as the Special Assistant to the Director, Office of Public Health, where he managed a staff that coordinated planning and operations research, health program evaluation, health services research, and policy analysis. His staff also developed and monitored federal regulations affecting IHS programs, analyzed existing and proposed legislation that affected the Agency, and carried out legal liaison responsibilities with the Office of General Counsel. In 1999, Mr. Nolan accepted his appointment as Senior Policy Analyst for External Affairs. He assists the Director and executive staff with the collaboration and implementation of Indian health initiatives with organizations external to the IHS. As a member of the Office of the Director, his efforts will focus on external and intergovernmental affairs.

After receiving his bachelor's degree in education from Syracuse University, Mr. Nolan served as Assistant to the Dean of Arts and Sciences at the State University of New York-Oswego where he directed academic training programs for teachers of Indian students. He earned a master's degree in educational administration from Pennsylvania State University and went on to complete the course work for a Ph.D. in education.

In 1977, he was selected as an Education Policy Fellow, Institute for Educational Leadership, at George Washington University, and worked at the Office of Indian Education within the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare. He then joined the Department of the Interior in 1978 as an education specialist in the U.S. Office of Education and served in that same capacity in the Bureau of Indian Affairs Office of Indian Education Programs. In 1994, he was selected to serve a six-month interagency detail on special assignment to the U.S. Senate Committee on Indian Affairs to work on health care reform.

Mr. Nolan was raised in New York on the Onondaga Nation Reservation, the capital of the Six Nations Iroquois Confederacy. He resides in the Washington, D.C., metropolitan area with his wife, Penny, and one son. He also has four adult children.