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TRIBAL GOVERNMENT AND BUSINESS CLIENTS — CLIENT ALERT

TO: TRIBAL LEADERS AND BUSINESS CLIENTS
FROM: BIG FIRE LAW & POLICY GROUP
DATE: DECEMBER 18, 2020
RE: SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR NOMINEE



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**President-Elect Biden
nominates Deb
Haaland to be
Secretary of the
Interior**

On Thursday, President-elect Joe Biden announced that U.S. Representative Debra Haaland, a citizen of the Pueblo of Laguna, will be nominated to be the 54th United States Secretary of the Interior. As one of the first Native American women elected to the United States Congress and a 35th generation New Mexican, Rep. Haaland serves the 1st district of New Mexico. She sits on the Armed Services Committee and is the Vice-Chair of the Committee on Natural Resources and Chair of Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands. She is a leading voice to fight climate change, protect women from violence and ensuring that America keeps its promises to Native Hawaiians, Alaska Natives and American Indians. Rep. Haaland is a role model for Indigenous youth and women and girls around the world.

Big Fire Law and Policy Group, LLP congratulates Representative Haaland on her nomination and wishes her the best during her confirmation process and in her new role.

About Big Fire Law & Policy Group, LLP

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