

ALASKA LT. GOVERNOR BYRON MALLOTT



Alaska Governor Bill Walker and Lt. Governor Byron Mallott took office in December of 2014 as the first non-partisan administration in Alaska history. They are also the first Alaska-born Governor and Lt. Governor to serve together.

Mallott oversees the Alaska Division of Elections; is chair of the state's Climate Action for Alaska Leadership team, which focuses on mitigation, adaptation, research and response; serves as the Governor's Fisheries Advisor, as well as the Administration's lead on stewardship of transboundary waters. He co-chairs the federal Denali Commission, and serves on numerous other boards including the Governor's Opioid Task force. His focus on elections includes the landmark settlement of an Alaska Native language assistance case and expansion of language outreach to Alaska voters, as well as leading a coalition of Alaskans on issues such as future ballot delivery options and ensuring robust elections security. As chair of Alaska's Historical Commission, he spearheaded the 150th Anniversary of the Treaty of Cession of the State of Alaska, which included events in Washington, D.C. as well as statewide.

An Alaska Native and clan leader of the Tlingit Raven Kwaash Kee Kwaan Clan, Mallott entered public life as mayor of Yakutat at age 22 and has since held many positions of responsibility in the public, private and non-profit sectors. He has served every Alaska Governor since statehood.

He was president of the Alaska Federation of Natives; founding president of the First Alaskans Institute; trustee, chair and executive director of the Alaska Permanent Fund Corporation; and chair of the Nature Conservancy of Alaska. Currently, Mallott serves on the Polynesian Voyage Society's Board of Directors.

In the private sector, Mallott has served as chair, president and CEO of Sealaska Corporation; served on the board of Alaska Air Group; Bank of America subsidiary boards in Washington and Alaska; and, as a director of the U.S. Federal Reserve Bank in San Francisco. Mallott has also been a small business owner and commercial fisherman.

Yakutat remains the lifelong home of the Lt. Governor and his wife Toni, who was born and raised in the Athabascan village of Rampart on the Yukon River. Together they raised their blended family of five children and enjoy hiking, camping and fishing with their ten grandchildren and one great-grandchild.