



# Northwest Indian Fisheries Commission

## Edward Johnstone

Quinault Indian Nation



### **Bio**

Ed Johnstone is a Quinault Tribal member born in Aberdeen Washington and raised on the Quinault Indian reservation. He worked in the timber and fishing industries of the Quinault Indian Nation most of his life. A two-term Councilman from 1996-2002, Ed represents the Quinault Tribal Council for fisheries, fisheries habitat and marine governance issues as the Quinault Fisheries Policy Spokesperson. Mr. Johnstone has served his community in numerous ways including the Taholah School Board and the Quinault Planning Commission. Since 2009 he has served as Treasurer of the Northwest Indian Fisheries Commission, serves on the Southern Panel of the Pacific Salmon Commission and is the current Chair of the Intergovernmental Policy Council a forum of tribal and state co-managers of the ocean area that includes the Olympic Coast National Marine Sanctuary. In 2012 Ed was co-organizer and host of the seminal First Stewards Symposium; Coastal Peoples Address Climate Change, held at the National Museum of the American Indian in Washington, D.C. Ed currently resides in Taholah, Washington, the home of the Quinault Indian Nation since time immemorial.

### **Summary of Experience**

- 1993-2007: Taholah School Board.
- 1999-2000: Chairman of the Transportation Committee of the Affiliated Tribes of the Northwest Indians.
- 1999-2004: Quinault Planning Commission.
- 2002-2004: Portland Area Representative for the Intertribal Transportation Association (ITA).
- 2002-2004: Co-chair of Transportation Infrastructure Sub-committee of the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI).
- 2002-2004: Co-Chair of the NCAI TEA-21 Re-authorization Taskforce
- 2002-Present: Washington Sea Grant Advisory Board.
- 2009-present: Treasurer Northwest Indian Fisheries Commission.
- 2009- present: Chairman, Intergovernmental Policy Council, Olympic Coast National Marine Sanctuary.
- 2011-Present: Pacific Salmon Commission, Southern Panel, Tribal Co-chair Alternate, U.S. Section.