



ADVISORY COUNCIL ON HISTORIC PRESERVATION

Media Kit

An independent federal agency, the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP) promotes the preservation, enhancement, and sustainable use of our nation's diverse historic resources and advises the President and Congress on national historic preservation policy. It also provides a forum for influencing federal activities, programs, and policies that affect historic properties. The ACHP promotes historic preservation to foster the understanding of the nation's heritage and the contribution that historic preservation can make to contemporary communities and their economic and social well-being.

The ACHP is comprised of 24 statutorily designated and Presidentially appointed members from federal agencies, preservation organizations, Indian Tribes, and expert private citizens. Its staff, based in Washington, D.C., administer the country's historic preservation regulatory program (involving 120,000 federal undertakings annually), provide training in historic preservation law and policy, conduct outreach to the American public on the importance of historic sites and community preservation, and much more.

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Chair Sara C. Bronin

The Honorable Sara C. Bronin was confirmed by unanimous consent by the United States Senate in December 2022 to serve as the 12th chair of the ACHP. A Mexican American, she is the first person of color to serve in this position and is a licensed attorney and architect. Chair Bronin is on leave from her tenured position at Cornell University, where she serves on the planning, law, real estate, and architecture faculties.

Topics Chair Bronin can comment on or has expertise in include the following: housing and historic preservation; climate change and historic preservation; federal project permitting issues; federal policies related to Indigenous Knowledge and burial grounds; and state and local preservation issues. She was recently featured in NPR, Newsweek, and the *New York Times*. See coverage links below.



Executive Director Reid J. Nelson

Reid J. Nelson, a trained anthropologist, has served on the ACHP staff since 2006. As its executive director, he is deeply knowledgeable about historic preservation issues. He leads the ACHP staff and handles initiatives and collaborations with other federal agencies, states, Indian Tribes, Native Hawaiian organizations, and others on the full range of the agency's permitting, planning, and policymaking functions.

Topics Executive Director Nelson can comment on or has expertise in include the following: Section 106 review; Tribal consultation; ACHP history; legislation relating to historic preservation; historic preservation policy; and archaeology.

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Jan. 22, 2024 | **Letter to the Editor:**

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