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Commissioner of Indian Affairs William Hallett today announced the appointment of Susan Drake to his Public Information Staff in the Washington Office. Ms. Drake, who will head the publications function for the BIA, will be responsible for the annual report, fact sheets, newsletters, brochures and the many BIA publications distributed to the general public.

Hallett said Ms. Drake comes highly qualified for this assignment, being an honors graduate of the Northwestern University Medill School of Journalism and holder of a Master's degree in journalism from Columbia University. Ms. Drake has won several writing awards including the Pulitzer Traveling Fellowship at Columbia in 1977 and the New York City Women's Press Club Scholarship in 1976.

She was a reporter with The Sun Bulletin in Binghamton, New York, in 1975 and interned with Newsday in Long Island, New York, in 1976 before joining Newsweek as Assistant Editor in 1977. Ms. Drake was Associate Editor for Newsweek from 1978-1980. Ms. Drake was born on a farm near Louisville, Kentucky, and grew up in a suburb of St. Louis.

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