Indigenous Women’s Tongass Delegation to Washington D.C.  
Spokeswomen List – November 2019

Adrien Lee – Tlingit
President of the Alaska Native Sisterhood Camp 12, keeper of Tlingit cultural education,  
WECAN Tongass Delegate
Adrien Nichol Lee is Tlìngit Chookenshàa living in Hoonah, Alaska year around. She is  
President of the Alaska Native Sisterhood Camp 12. Adrien and her family harvest from  
the Tongass to prepare for the long winters, and while she has spent the past seven years  
in management work, she has also dedicated herself to pursuing her grandmother’s  
footsteps in cultural Tlingit education.

Kari Ames – Tlingit
Alaska Native Voices Cultural Heritage Guide, keeper of traditional life-ways,  
WECAN Tongass Delegate
Kari Ames is of the Tlingit Nation. She grew up and lives in Xuna Kaawuu (People of the  
North Wind) also called Hoonah, which is a small town of 800 people on Chichagof Island  
in Southeast Alaska. Her Tlingit name is Dee Yaa, and she is Yeil Raven moiety of the  
L’uknaxh.adi (Coho Salmon Clan) from the Frog House. Kari is currently working for Alaska  
Native Voices as a Cultural Heritage Guide in Glacier Bay National Park. She is deeply  
involved in her culture — weaving the past and the future together, living and learning as  
much as she can about her culture including traditional singing, drumming, hunting and  
gathering of plants.

Osprey Orielle Lake
The Delegation is joined by Osprey Orielle Lake, Founder and Executive Director of the  
Women’s Earth and Climate Action Network (WECAN) International and Co-Director of the  
Indigenous Women’s Divestment Delegations. She works nationally and internationally  
with grassroots and Indigenous leaders, policy-makers and scientists to promote climate  
justice, resilient communities, and a just transition to a clean energy future. She serves on  
the Executive Committee for the Global Alliance for the Rights of Nature and heads-up  
WECAN’s advocacy work in areas such as Women for Forests, Rights of Nature and UN  
Forums. Osprey is the author of the award-winning book, Uprisings for the Earth:  
Reconnecting Culture with Nature.