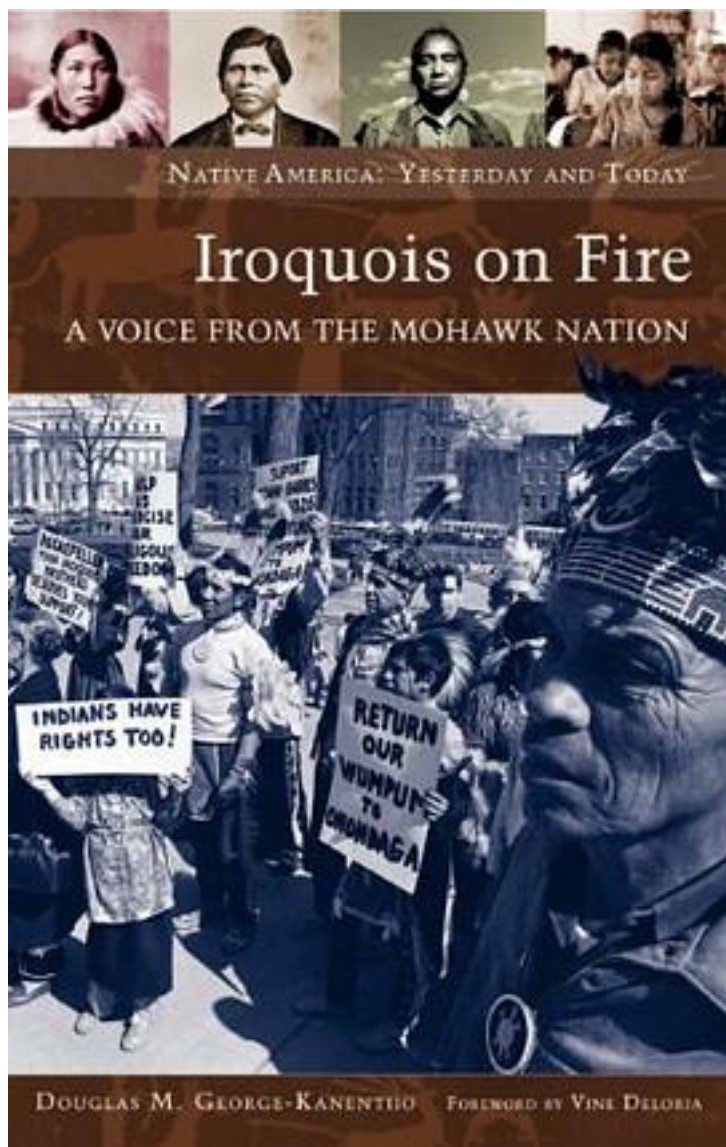


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In their homelands in New York State, Iroquois and their issues have come to dominate public debate as the residents of the region seek ways to resolve the multi-billion dollar land claims against the state. This initial dispute over territorial title has grown to encompass gambling, treaties, taxation, and what it means to claim Native sovereignty in a world experiencing rapid technological change. New York's influence is such that the experiences of Iroquois interaction with the state is likely to affect how Natives and other states deal with similar issues. This is an essential volume, written from an Iroquois perspective by someone who has taken an active role in tribal affairs and who is dedicated to preserving the philosophies of his people. Douglas George-Kanentiio, a member of the Mohawk Nation and an activist for Native American claims, details the history of his Nation from initial contact with the Europeans through to the casino crises. As a key figure in events of the last two decades, George-Kanentiio uses aspects of his personal story to highlight issues of public interest: the land, family and community, geography, federal interference in tribal affairs, religion, political activism, land use/claims, and connections to organised crime.

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