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Mark Masters is a tribal citizen of the Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma and possesses nearly twenty (20) years of industry experience. He holds a BS Ecology from Oklahoma State University and a Graduate Certificate in Entrepreneurship from the renowned Tuck School of Business at Dartmouth.

During his eight year career as a federal wildland fire and all-hazards incident responder he held a variety of positions included as an aerially delivered firefighter (heli-rappeller). In 2009 he left his position with BIA-NIFC and founded Chloeta with extremely humble beginnings. Chloeta has grown into an international service provider in the areas of wildland fire management, homeland security, environmental consulting, infrastructure management and aviation. Recently Chloeta was named to the Inc. 5000 by Inc. Magazine for the fastest growing privately held businesses in the U.S. and was also named to the Entrepreneur 360 list by Entrepreneur Magazine for the top 360 businesses to watch in 2018.

He has served as a joint keynote speaker with Congressman Tom Cole (R-Oklahoma) in addition to being a live interviewee on CNN Newsroom, CNN Money and The Weather Channel.

Some honors bestowed upon Masters include the National Young Entrepreneur of the Year award by the U.S. Small Business Administration in 2012, by the National American Indian Center for Enterprise Development (NCAIED) "40 Under 40" award and he has also served as a panelist on President Obama's Subcommittee on Small Business Young Entrepreneurship Series (YES) livestreamed on WhiteHouse.gov.

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