

A Timeline of Key Moments

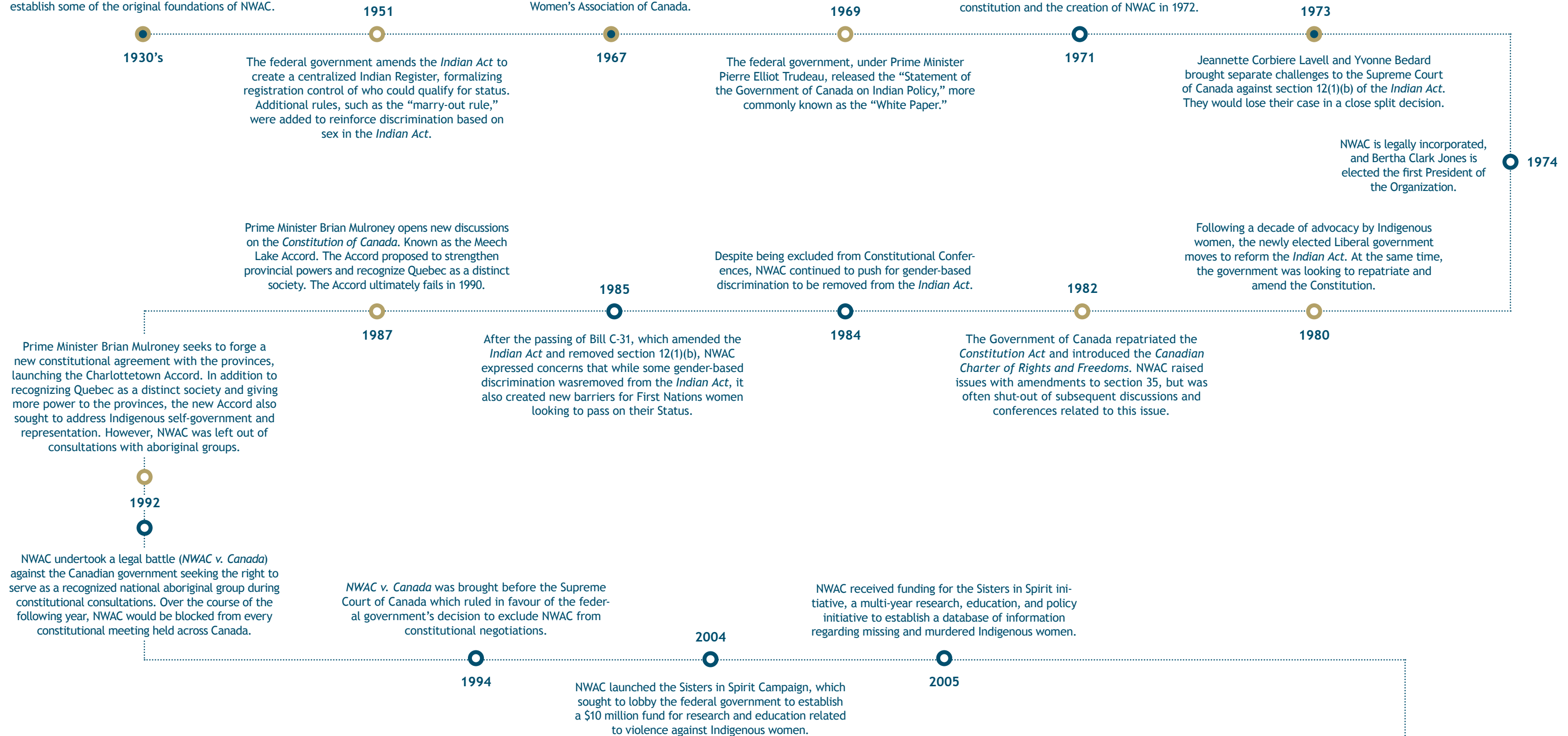
○ Government of Canada Event
 ○ NWAC Event
 ○ Indigenous Women Event

The Native
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50th
 Anniversary

The federal government begins to provide funding to support "homemakers clubs" on reserves across Canada with the expressed purposes of encouraging domestic activity and furthering the assimilation of First Nations women. Homemakers' clubs would establish some of the original foundations of NWAC.

Mary Two-Axe Earley stood in front of the Standing Committee on Indian Affairs and Northern Development and asks why her children were denied Status, band membership, and affiliate rights lost because of section 12(1)(b) of the *Indian Act*. Two-Axe Earley would play a critical role in the founding of the Quebec Native Women's Association, and later the Native Women's Association of Canada.

This timeline provides insight into key moments in the history of the Native Women's Association of Canada. While it does not capture every significant issue that NWAC has advocated for, it highlights the founding of NWAC and our defining work related to the *Indian Act*, the inclusion of Indigenous women in decision-making spaces, the ongoing genocide of missing and murdered Indigenous women and girls (MMIWG2S+), and the implementation of the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP).
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Over the course of the National Inquiry, NWAC participated, provided support, and monitored the process.

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