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### WHITE HOUSE CORRESPONDENCE TRACKING WORKSHEET

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*86, 06, 28*

Name of Correspondent: *Pleasant Valley High School Drama Club*

MI Mail Report      User Codes: (A) \_\_\_\_\_ (B) \_\_\_\_\_ (C) \_\_\_\_\_

Subject: *Students are concerned about the possible transfer of the Hopi-Navaho Indian Files*

ROUTE TO:		ACTION		DISPOSITION	
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Comments: *Shelf # 298*  
*Address to Members of the Pleasant Valley High School Drama Club.*

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Water and Land Resources  
Range/Agriculture  
BCCO 4424

JUL 24 1986

Drama Club Members  
Pleasant Valley High School  
Brodheadsville, Pennsylvania 18322

Dear Drama Club Members:

President Reagan has asked us to thank you for the two plywood poster boards containing petitions and copies of news clippings about the Navajo-Hopi Relocation.

This has been a long standing and difficult issue. Your concern for your fellow Americans is noted and is very much appreciated. Our Public Affairs Office has prepared a leaflet discussing this Bureau's responsibilities in this matter. We are pleased to send you a copy, which may answer some of your questions on this issue.

Thank you for being concerned citizens.

Sincerely,

/s/ Frank Anthony Ryan

Deputy to the Assistant Secretary -  
Indian Affairs (Trust and Economic  
Development)

Enclosure

cc: Surname, Chron, ES-Epps (3), 100, 101-A, 200, Mailroom, Holdup  
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T H E W H I T E H O U S E O F F I C E

REFERRAL

JULY 7, 1986

TO: DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
ATTN: BIA

ACTION REQUESTED:  
DIRECT REPLY, FURNISH INFO COPY

REMARKS: PLEASE ADDRESS TO MEMBERS OF THE PLEASANT VALLEY HIGH  
SCHOOL DRAMA CLUB

DESCRIPTION OF INCOMING:

ID: 430345

MEDIA: MISCELLANEOUS DATED JUNE 7, 1986

TO: PRESIDENT REAGAN

FROM:

THE MEMBERS OF THE PLEASANT VALLEY  
HIGH SCHOOL DRAMA CLUB

BRODHEADSVILLE PA 18322

SUBJECT: STUDENTS ARE CONCERNED ABOUT THE POSSIBLE  
TRANSFER OF THE HOPI - NAVAJO INDIAN TRIBE

PROMPT ACTION IS ESSENTIAL -- IF REQUIRED ACTION HAS NOT BEEN  
TAKEN WITHIN 9 WORKING DAYS OF RECEIPT, PLEASE TELEPHONE THE  
UNDERSIGNED AT 456-7486.

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SALLY KELLEY  
DIRECTOR OF AGENCY LIAISON  
PRESIDENTIAL CORRESPONDENCE

WHITE HOUSE GIFT UNIT

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DONOR P GENERAL PUBLIC

ORG THE MEMBERS OF THE PLEASANT VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL DRAMA CLUB

CITY BRODHEADSVILLE ST PA ZIP 18322

ACKNOWLEDGE BY XX FORM AGL DATE 860628

INTEND P PRESIDENT  
CATEGORY 9999  
MISCELLANEOUS - N.E.C.

DESCRIP A 23" X 46" PAIR OF PLYWOOD PIECES ON WHICH FIVE POSTER BOARD  
PETITIONS AND OTHER XEROXED CLIPPINGS ARE ATTACHED REGARDING  
THE "RELOCATION OF THE HOPI-NAVAHO INDIAN TRIBES & THE REPEAL  
OF PUBLIC LAW 93-531."

FLAG NA

DISP FI FILES

COMMENT NOTED ON MAILING: "COPIES SENT TO SECRETARY OF INTERIOR HODEL,  
SENATOR TED KENNEDY, SENATOR BARRY GOLDWATER, PHIL DONAHUE SHOW,  
TODAY SHOW, SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE TIP O'NEIL."

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Name of Correspondent:  Mr.  Mrs.  Miss  Ms. Christine ROUSSEAU

MI Mail Report User Codes: (A) \_\_\_\_\_ (B) \_\_\_\_\_ (C) \_\_\_\_\_

Subject: Complaints about lack of American Indian involvement in Liberty weekend.

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# United States Department of the Interior

## NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

P.O. BOX 37127

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20013-7127

IN REPLY REFER TO

A8215(190)

AUG 7 1986

Ms. Christine M. Rousseau  
992 Portland Avenue  
St. Paul, Minnesota 55104

Dear Ms. Rousseau:

Your letter of July 3 to President Reagan concerning the lack of involvement by the American Indians in the Fourth of July ceremonies marking the rededication of the Statue of Liberty has been referred to the National Park Service for reply. The National Park Service administers the Statue of Liberty National Monument.

Please be assured that the National Park Service is fully cognizant of its trust to serve all the people of this Nation. Also, as an Agency of the Federal Government, the Service is precluded from discriminating based on such factors as race, color, religion, age, or sex. However, the Statue of Liberty-Ellis Island Foundation, Inc., a nonprofit organization formed to conduct the fundraising and publicity pertaining to the Statue's restoration, was responsible for the events related to the rededication. Therefore, we have forwarded a copy of your letter to the foundation. Should you wish to contact the foundation directly, the address and telephone number are:

Statue of Liberty-Ellis Island Foundation, Inc.  
101 Park Avenue, Suite 1205  
New York, New York 10178  
212/883-1986

Thank you for your interest in the Statue of Liberty.

Sincerely,

/s/ William Penn Mott, Jr.

William Penn Mott, Jr.  
Director

cc: Statue of Liberty-Ellis Island Foundation, Inc.

bcc: (ES-3) w/tp & inc. 1600-NAR (2)) 001-RF 001-Mott 190-RF 190-Gilley)  
FNP:CGilley:343-1331:CL-86-1010/ES-23718:d1-53:8/2/86:

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REFERRAL

JULY 16, 1986

TO: DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

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ACTION REQUESTED:  
DIRECT REPLY, FURNISH INFO COPY

DESCRIPTION OF INCOMING:

ID: 431261  
MEDIA: LETTER, DATED JULY 3, 1986  
TO: PRESIDENT AND MRS. REAGAN  
FROM: MS. CHRISTINE ROUSSEAU  
992 PORTLAND AVENUE  
ST. PAUL MN 55104

SUBJECT: COMPLAINTS ABOUT LACK OF AMERICAN INDIAN  
INVOLVEMENT IN LIBERTY WEEKEND

PROMPT ACTION IS ESSENTIAL -- IF REQUIRED ACTION HAS NOT BEEN  
TAKEN WITHIN 9 WORKING DAYS OF RECEIPT, PLEASE TELEPHONE THE  
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SALLY KELLEY  
DIRECTOR OF AGENCY LIAISON  
PRESIDENTIAL CORRESPONDENCE

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July 3<sup>rd</sup> 1986

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Ronald Reagan,

As a Native of this Country I feel  
Compelled to Write this letter.

I have been watching all the Celebrations  
of I.V. about the Statue of Liberty. I have not  
<sup>ever</sup> seen a statue of an Indian in any of  
your Programs <sup>ever</sup> a Commercial.

We sit & watch all the happiness  
of other people & we still are stuck on  
reservations & our minerals etc are still  
being stolen from us.

I'm sorry I cannot be involved  
in this Celebration as it hurts very  
much. We are never recognized. Why aren't  
we ever asked about the way we feel.  
Don't you think something is missing  
here?

I don't think you will ever ans.  
my letter because you are all too  
ashamed.

Christine D. Rousseau  
992 Portland Ave.  
St. Paul, Mn.

St. # 224-2198

55104

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Name of Correspondent: Manon Garreaux

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Subject: American Indian issues

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

August 22, 1986

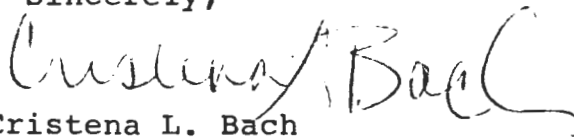
Dear Mr. Garreaux:

On behalf of Linda Chavez, I'd like to thank you for your recent letter. Ms. Chavez is no longer with the White House, so your letter was forwarded to my office. I am the President's liaison for Indian Affairs.

I have forwarded a copy of your letter to the Intergovernmental Affairs Office at the Department of Health and Human Services for their consideration and direct reply. You should be hearing from them shortly.

I sincerely appreciate your bringing your concerns to the attention of the Administration.

Sincerely,



Cristena L. Bach  
Special Assistant to the President  
for Intergovernmental Affairs

Mr. Manson Garreaux  
Post Office Box 266  
Ridgeview, South Dakota 57652-0266

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Ridgeview, South Dakota 57652-0266  
July 18, 1986

M's Linda Chavez, Deputy Assistant to the President  
Director of Public Liaison  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. 2/WW  
(202) 456-2270  
The White House, Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear M's Chavez:

Recently the Congressional office of Technology Assessment completed a study regarding the serious health problems of the American Indians and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Service, Public Health Service, Indian Health Service has proposed a set of rules and regulations bearing directly on blood quantum requirements for Indian health care eligibility criterion. This in line with the present Federal austerity programs and budget cuts.

In order for the Indian Health Service to operate within its program funds for any one fiscal year, the proposed rules and regulations should contain strict guidelines similar in scope to the Veterans Administration operational plan for rendering medical services to the nations veterans, than I think the cost of operating the Indian health service nation-wide might be reduced significantly, of course the central issue is who is eligible to receive medical services from the Indian Health Service,

The rules and regulations proposed by the Department of H.H.S. - IHS and published in the Federal Register on June 10, 1986 and will become final in four months, the enforcement of Federal Statutes by the Departments of Interior and H.E.W. regarding blood quantum requirements should have been done years ago, neither the Bureau of Indian Affairs nor the Indian Health Service has accurate records of Indian bloodlines. Although there are legal precedents for requiring blood degrees.

A brief recital of Treaties, Federal Statutes, Court Decrees, Departmental rulings, that may assist one in clarifying and establishing a pivotal point from which to analysis all segments the arguments for or against the establishment of blood quantum for eligibility purposes.

1. The treaty of April 29, 1868 (15 Stat.635) which did not specifically recognize the inter-marriage of whiteman and Indian women.
2. Interior department decision of May 8, 1894 relative to the rights of children of Indian women the off-spring of marriage between said Indian women and citizens of the U.S. entered into since August 9, 1888 (25 Stat.392).

M's Chavez:

3. Prior to the Act of February 10, 1855, Indian women entering into marriage with a citizen of the U.S. did not become a citizen.

4. Act of August 9, 1888, Indian women marrying citizens of the U.S. separated herself from her tribe and became identified with the people of the U.S. and her children are citizens of the U.S.

5. Act of June 18, 1934, establishing blood quantum at one half or more Indian blood.

6. U.S. Supreme Court decision in U.S. v. Shonshone tribe of Indians. (288 U.S. 476).

7. U.S. Supreme Court decision in U.S. v. Shonshone tribe of Indians. (reaffirmed 304 U.S. 111).

8. Santa Clara Pueblo v. Martinez, No. 76-682 decided May 17, 1978, denying membership to the children of certain female members who marry outside the tribe.

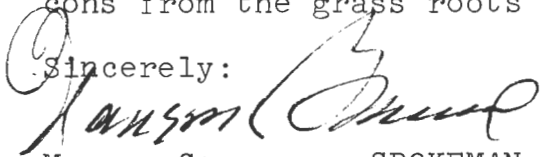
In essence M's Chavez, precedence has been established regarding blood quantum for Indians by Congressional, Judicial, and Administrative Acts, Treaties, Decisions, rulings, throughout the intervening years in the history of these United States.

Unbeknown to us at the time of its publication in the Federal Register, the Elders of this tribe (Cheyenne River Sioux) contacted me and asked that I draft, initiate, and circulate a referendum petition on their behalf, demanding that the tribal council the governing body of the tribe, re-establish and comply with the provisions of the Act of June 18, 1934 and its enumerated provisions specifically, section 19 (Public Law No. 383. S.3645. 45 Stat.984. 25 U.S.C.) blood quantum at one half or more Indian blood.

This referendum petition will be presented to the tribal council during their regular monthly meeting on August 5, 1986.

If it would be possible, and administrative duties or functions will pose no hinderance to you or members of your staff, you are welcome to attend this meeting to ascertain the pros and cons from the grass roots level on this important subject matter.

Sincerely:



Manson Garreaux, SPOKEMAN FOR PETITIONERS.  
P.O.Box 266  
Ridgeview, South Dakota 57652-0266

cc: Mr. John Gibbons, Director  
Congressional Office of Technology Assessment  
600 PA S.E., Rm 5th Fl  
U.S. Congress, Washington, D.C. 20510

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Name of Correspondent: Tom + Rita Hendrickson

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Subject: Mistreatment of American Indians

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January 30, 1987

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Hendrickson:

Mr. Buchanan has asked me to thank you for your letter regarding American Indians.

The commitment of the Federal Government for ensuring that Indian/Alaskan Natives acquire a good education can be seen in the many programs funded through the Bureau of Indian Affairs directly or by tribes contracting under the Indian Self-Determination Act, Public Law 93-638.

The Bureau's Budget for Fiscal Year 1987 provided an overall increase in funding for Indian education programs. At the present time over \$300 million is provided each year for the administration and operation of elementary and secondary schools, dormitories, adult education programs, higher education scholarships, three postsecondary colleges and 20 Tribally Controlled community Colleges.

The congress appropriated to the Bureau \$997,335,000 for all Indian programs for Fiscal Year 1987. Other Federal agencies also provide funding for Indians in education, health services, housing, etc.

With every good wish,

Sincerely,

Agnes M. Waldron  
Special Assistant to the President  
and Director of Research

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Hendrickson  
426 Lillian Avenue  
Fort Wayne, IN 46808

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# United States Department of the Interior


OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20240

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To: Sally Kelley  
Director of Agency Liaison,  
Presidential Correspondence

Subject: Draft Reply to Mr. and Mrs. Tom Hendrickson, ID 434959

Pursuant to your request of August 15, 1986, attached is a draft response to Mr. and Mrs. Tom Hendrickson, 426 Lillian Avenue, Fort Wayne, Indiana 46808, regarding their concern about the mistreatment of American Indians.



Assistant Secretary - Indian Affairs

Attachment

Mr. & Mrs. Tom Hendrickson  
426 Lillian Avenue  
Fort Wayne, Indiana 46808

Dear Mr. & Mrs Hendrickson:

*Mr. Buchanan has asked me to thank*

1. Thank you for your letter ~~of July 27, 1986~~, regarding American Indians. ~~You are to be commended for your interest in the education of American Indians.~~

The commitment of the Federal Government for ensuring that Indian/Alaskan Natives acquire a good education can be seen in the many programs funded through the Bureau of Indian Affairs directly or by tribes contracting under the Indian Self-Determination Act, Public Law 93-638.

The Bureau's Budget for Fiscal Year 1987 provided an overall increase in funding for Indian education programs. At the present time over \$300 million is provided each year for the administration and operation of elementary and secondary schools, dormitories, adult education programs, higher education scholarships, three postsecondary colleges and 20 Tribally Controlled Community Colleges.

The Congress appropriated to the Bureau \$997,335,000 for all Indian programs for Fiscal Year 1987. Other federal agencies also provide funding for Indians in education, health services, housing, etc.

Your interest in Indian education is very much appreciated and if we can be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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Sincerely,

*Cephera Peterson*

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TO: PATRICK BUCHANAN

FROM: MR. AND MRS. TOM HENDRICKSON  
426 LILLIAN AVENUE  
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SUBJECT: MISTREATMENT OF AMERICAN INDIANS

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July 27, 1986

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Dear Mr. Patrick Buchanan:

We are writing to you regarding a very serious problem involving our American Indians. The Indians are being grossly mistreated. Badly needed federal funding and programs that the American Indians rely on are being drastically cut or entirely eliminated. We have stolen their land, broken treaties, and more; and now, we whites are at it again. Scholarship assistance for Indian students has been all but eliminated and the tribal social workers have been laid-off. Haven't the whites walked on the Indians long enough? Let's bring it to an end this century, better yet, this decade. The blacks have pushed for equality, federal funding, and educational opportunities and have received it. It's time the American Indians are treated better. They were the main inhabitants of this country before the ~~English~~ English, French, Spanish and other peoples came here.

~~What~~What are you going to do to help these unfortunate, mistreated people. We would like you to help the Indians, ~~Now!~~ Now! Please pass all this on to the ~~President~~ President for us and tell him how ~~important~~ important it is for us to put this mistreatment of the American Indians to ~~rest~~ rest once and for all.

Contact: Alfonso Ortiz, President of the American ~~Indian~~ Indian Fund/Association on American Indian Affairs, Inc.

Address: 95 Madison Avenue, New York, NY 10016

Sincerely,

Tom and Rita Hendrickson  
426 Lillian Avenue, Fort Wayne, IN 46808

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NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: MR. DENNIS L. TAYLOR

SUBJECT: REQUESTS SIGNING INTO LAW H.R.1426 AND S.277  
WHICH DEALS WITH INDIAN HEALTH CARE ISSUES

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Mr. Dennis L. Taylor  
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Indian Alcoholism Counseling and  
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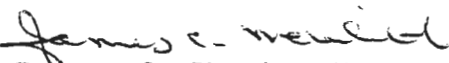
Dear Mr. Taylor:

This is in further response to your letter of October 17 to President Reagan in support of action to reauthorize and amend the Indian Health Care Improvement Act, Public Law (P.L.) 94-437. Though both Congress and the Administration remain committed to the goals of this Act, the Congress adjourned before action could be taken. However, the programs established by P.L. 94-437 have been continued by the Fiscal Year 1987 Appropriations Act.

With regards to your particular area of concern, I am very pleased to report that Congress did pass the Omnibus Drug Bill which the President signed on October 27. Subtitle C of this Act, which became P.L. 99-570 upon the President's signature, is referred to as the "Indian Alcohol and Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act of 1986." The Indian Health Service is pleased with this Act which calls for heightened cooperation with the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the authorization of funds for youth substance abuse prevention treatment.

I commend the efforts of your program in Salt Lake City and your advocacy to improve the total health care of Indian people.

Sincerely yours,

  
Everett R. Rhoades, M.D.  
Assistant Surgeon General  
Director, Indian Health Service

cc: Director, Phoenix Area IHS  
Alcoholism Coordinator, Phoenix Area IHS  
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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR  
INDIAN ALCOHOLISM COUNSELING  
AND RECOVERY HOUSE PROGRAM  
POST OFFICE BOX 1500  
SALT LAKE CITY UT 84110

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November 17, 1986

Dear Mr. Taylor and Mr. Bilagody:

On behalf of the President, I would like to thank you for your recent correspondence regarding Indian health care issues.

I have forwarded a copy of your letter to the Intergovernmental Affairs Office at the Department of Health and Human Services for their consideration and direct reply. You should be hearing from them shortly.

I sincerely appreciate your bringing your concerns to the attention of the Administration.

Sincerely,



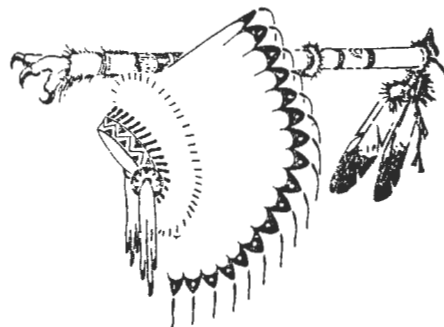
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Special Assistant to the President  
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Mr. Dennis L. Taylor  
Mr. James Bilagody  
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October 17, 1986

President Ronald Reagan  
The White House  
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Dear Mr. President:

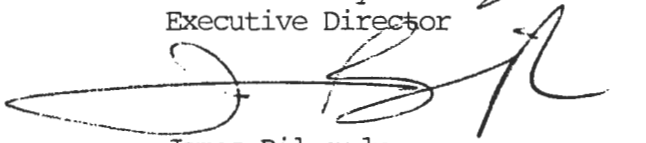
A bill called HR1426 and S277 will be coming to your desk very shortly for your approval, which deals with "Indian Health Care" issues. We strongly need your support in maintaining and improving the environment that surrounds Indian health on reservations and in urban areas for which these bills will provide.

Recently your support to fight drug abuse has raised wide support among communities in the Salt Lake City area. Drug and alcohol abuse among Native American Indians are increasingly high. The rising suicide rate among Indian youths is mostly due to mental distress and many who have attempted suicide have previously been acquainted with alcohol and substance abuse. We, here at the Indian Alcoholism Counseling and Recovery House Program, are experiencing good success as we provide and assist in the conquering effort of substance abuse among Indians in the community of Salt Lake City.

We commend you and the First Lady in the fight against drug abuse.

Respectfully,

  
Dennis L. Taylor  
Executive Director

  
James Bilagody  
Prevention Program Coordinator

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# Alcohol is directly linked to more than 35% of all Indian deaths in U.S.

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Indians of North America - Liquor Problems, Associated Press 11/1/86

More than 35 percent of all Indian deaths in the United States are directly related to alcohol, according to a report recently released by the Department of Health and Human Services.

"In the Aberdeen area the incidence of alcohol-related deaths among Indians is 9.2 times greater than the general population," said Mike Wood, in charge of program planning for the Aberdeen area of the Indian Health Service (IHS). The Aberdeen area includes North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Iowa and Minnesota.

About 10 percent of deaths among the overall U.S. population are alcohol-related, according to the HHS report on Black and Minority Health. The report, which covers the years 1979 to 1982, is the result of a year-long study on health disparities between minority and non-minority Americans.

Alcohol-related deaths in the report include accidents, alcoholism, cirrhosis of the liver, suicide and homicide.

"Disruption to the Indians' traditional way of life" has led to "a powerlessness and hopelessness resulting in a high incidence of alcohol abuse," the report says.

In addition, a majority of Indians live in areas where the availability of physicians is less than half the national average, according to the study.

"Our physician standing is one of the lowest in Indian Health Service," Wood said. "We're holding a physician recruitment conference for senior physicians in Rapid City this week. These physicians that are attending the conference are IHS doctors from other areas who we hope to recruit to come to the Aberdeen area. We contend that one of our disparities is our lack of fully trained IHS senior physicians in our area." Wood said a senior physician has 10 years with IHS.

The report also said Indians have the lowest rate of both cancer incidence and cancer mortality of all minority and non-minority groups. The Indian rate is about 40 percent lower than the national rate in both categories.

"It could be lower because of the statistical base that they used. Cancer

is the third leading cause of death in the Aberdeen area," Wood said.

Accidents are the leading cause of Indian deaths, accounting for about 21 percent of the Indian mortality rate, according to the report. IHS, a branch of HHS, estimates that 75 percent of Indian accidents are alcohol-related, with a large number of accidents involving motor vehicles. Accidents account for less than 10 percent of deaths among the general population.

IHS Deputy Director Robert Kreuzburg of Washington said the Indian alcohol problem is "tragic," but not surprising. The IHS now is trying to fight the problem by directing more money toward prevention rather than treatment of Indian alcoholism, he said.

"Education is a key in bringing these (Indian) figures in line with the rest of the nation's," Kreuzburg said.

Deseret News  
September 24, 1986

## Indian alcoholism program set

The fourth annual "Indian Alcoholism Awareness Days 1986" featuring workshops and "powwows" will be Friday and Saturday in Salt Lake City.

The two-day program, sponsored by the Indian Alcoholism Counseling and Recovery House program, will begin Friday with a powwow at the main pavilion at Fairmont Park from 6 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. There will also be a three-mile run, volleyball, horseshoes, a pie-eating contest and bingo.

Workshops begin at 8:30 a.m. Saturday at the Salt Lake Room of the downtown Howard Johnson's. Speakers will discuss topics such as drug abuse and family therapy.

For more information, call Jim Blagody, 328-8515.

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## 80% of Indians In Wyoming Are Alcoholics

SHERIDAN, Wyo. (UPI) — Experts estimate as much as 80 percent of the population of adult Indians in Wyoming and Montana are alcoholic, and said treatment available to them can address only a fraction of the problem.

The Thunder Child Inter-Tribal Alcoholism Treatment Center established at the Sheridan Veterans Administration Medical Center is a 25-bed in-house treatment facility.

Though open to all Indians, it mainly serves members of the Arapaho and Shoshone tribes from Wyoming's Wind River Reservation, and Crow and Northern Cheyenne from Montana.

Approval has been given to build a new \$3.6 million 72-bed facility, but even with the increased capacity, Terry Beartusk, executive director of the center, said the number of Indians it can help will be "just a drop in the bucket."

The center is seeking \$1.2 million from the four tribes it serves to add to a \$1 million grant from the St. Labre Foundation and a possible community development block grant from Sheridan to build the new facility.

The National Institute on Alcohol Abuse estimates indicate 70 percent of the adult Indians in the two states are alcoholic, but Beartusk said a study by the Montana Urban Indian Association indicates the figure is closer to 80 percent.

"I believe that [80 percent] is a more accurate reflection of the problem," he said. "In a population where 80 percent of the people are alcoholics, it's normal to be an alcoholic."

That would mean nearly 27,000 Indians in the two states are alcoholic.

Alberta Oldman, data coordinator for the Sho-Rap Rehabilitation Center on the Wind River Reservation, agrees with the 80 percent figure and said she believes the problem has worsened during the past 10 years because children raised by alcoholic parents are becoming involved.

The Sho-Rap center is an 18-bed in-house treatment center.

Beartusk said statistics show Indian tribes in this area have a higher rate of alcoholism than those living near the coasts, but there is a growing sober community on the Wind River Reservation, he said.

TV, VIDEO APPLIANCES

# Indian Youths Face a Rising Suicide Rate

By Scott Rivers  
Tribune Staff Writer

Suicide among Native American youths has increased 200 percent to 300 percent in the last two decades, according to a recent publication by the National American Indian Court Judges Association.

The statistic comes as no surprise to Jim Bilagody, substance abuse prevention coordinator for Indian Alcoholism Counseling and Recovery House Program, who helps assemble support group meetings and school presentations focusing on American Indian adolescent suicide.

"Native American youths have a higher suicide rate than non-Indians. We can attribute that to social and family problems, lack of effective adult role models and loss of Indian traditions, resulting in low self-esteem," he said.

"If you destroy all the things that give strength to the community, it will suffer — including the Native American culture," he added. "When you get down to it, the causes of suicide are universal: loneliness, helplessness and hopelessness."

A National Institute of Mental Health publication stated that adult

depression and youthful depression do not resemble each other. Some of the behavior patterns in potentially self-destructive adolescents include:

- Little verbal communication with parents.
- Increased moroseness and isolation.
- Young males experiencing loss of a father or close male figure through death or divorce.
- Girls experiencing difficulty communicating with their mothers.
- Decline in general efficiency and schoolwork performance.
- Involvement with drugs or alcohol.

Mr. Bilagody mentioned that Indian youths experience more stress as each Indian tradition loses more culture, self-esteem and sense of belonging through the years. Once the basic educational and religious systems dissipate, the individual is no longer self-aware.

"Adolescence is rough, and when all these support systems [family, tribes, etc.] are gone, there is nothing to identify or relate to. The biculturalism comes back to haunt them," he said.

One of the programs Mr. Bilagody helps coordinate is the annual Indian Alcoholism Awareness Days workshop (partially funded by the University of Utah and the State of Utah Division of Indian Affairs). The workshop features national health educators such as Phil Chan and Morris Dyer, who discuss inhalant and drug abuse as related to suicide.

"This year our focus is on Indian families — we need families to be strong again and have strong role models that will be a direct statement to the Indian parents whose children are contemplating suicide. If we can build up our families to be strong as they once were, they will be able to deal more readily with their problems. There are families who don't know how to handle an attempted suicide. Strong family ties and extended Indian community systems are very important," he explained.

On Sunday mornings, Mr. Bilagody can be heard on KRCL FM as host of "Living in the Circle of Life," a Native American news and events program. "This program has been broadcasting for five years. It's the only radio show which focuses on Indian issues. It also has an established Native American youth audience."

Through IACRHP, there is also the Salt Lake Indian Youth Club, a weekly support group which meets at various locations for 2½ hours each week. The youth club has 130 members whose discussions include chemical dependency effects, pro-social analyzing, short- and long-term consequences of decision making, and education.

There is also the Salt Lake Indian School Presentations, 1½- to 3-hour meetings that occasionally discuss suicide in terms of alcohol and drug abuse, self-awareness, values and attitude clarifications.

However, there are no identifiable programs to assist Native American youths. The Salt Lake Indian Health Center, Indian Walk-In Center and IACRHP offer some help, but are limited by funding and manpower.

"If there is more time, we can help them," said Mr. Bilagody. "If we had the money to afford professional counseling, it would be a tremendous benefit for Indian youths in this area."

Copies of the NARCA publication, *Suicide Among American Indian Adolescents*, are free from the National Indian Law Library, 1506 Broadway, Boulder, Co. 80302.

August 27, 1986

# Treatment Helps Indians Stand Tall

NV-1 SALT LAKE TRIBUNE  
Indians of North America -- Liquor Problem, 1986.

By Scott Rivers  
Tribune Staff Writer

Alcoholism is the leading health problem Indians experience today. It is related to five of the top 10 leading causes of death and is responsible for 87 percent of all deaths within the Indian population that occur before the age of 45.

Yet, there is help. The Indian Alcoholism Counseling and Recovery House Program, 375 S. 300 West, is Utah's sole Indian alcohol and drug abuse center, one of 160 programs across the country. For the past 14 years, its goal has been to reduce the incidence of chemical abuse within Salt Lake County by providing treatment and prevention services.

The program, a non-profit, non-sectarian organization, helps more than 200 people annually. Its three-month program emphasizes alcoholism education, group and individual counseling, spiritual and cultural awareness, post-program vocational training, employment assistance and referral services.

Native Americans have had relatively little experience in the consumption of alcohol com-

pared to individuals raised within the European culture, according to executive director Dennis Taylor.

"Alcoholism is inherited through environment but not through genetics. Indians are the most deprived and defeated people in this country. Whenever you have a negative feeling, alcohol is a solution -- but it's only temporary," he added.

According to Mr. Taylor, 30 to 40 percent of all Native Americans suffer from alcoholism. The degree of alcoholism in the adult population of reservations is as high as 80 percent in some areas. The Indian Health Service determined that two out of every five Indians in the Salt Lake area suffer from alcohol abuse.

The need for programs such as IACRHP is reinforced by the fact that alcohol is the major cause of 75 percent of all accidents, 80 percent of all suicides and 90 percent of all homicides among the Indian population. Approximately 30 percent of Salt Lake's public intoxication arrests are comprised of Indians.

"The uniqueness of our program is that we (the staff) are all Indian -- we encourage In-

dian culture and help Indians understand the differences in values and conflicts of Indian and non-Indian life," said Mr. Taylor.

Along with its alcohol treatment program, IACRHP offers a 30- to 60-day public detoxification program designed to interrupt the drinking cycle as well as introduce the Native American inebriate to a safe, stable environment where supportive, custodial care is provided. There is also a long-term, 180-day prison diversion program which addresses the special needs of Native Americans convicted of felonies while under the influence of drugs of alcohol.

The adult basic education program is an important element in the recovery of alcoholism -- with emphasis placed upon self-sufficiency, skill building, academic and vocational placement. "We are very proud of this program," Mr. Taylor stated, "because it has produced more high school diplomas for Indians than any community-based school program in the state."

Two additional programs, drug and alcohol prevention and family treatment, are offered. **(See Page 2, Column 1)**



Richard V. Martin, a Zuni Indian, recently landed a movie acting job.

# Center Lets Indians Get Back on Their Feet

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for Indian youths and their parents -- for good reason.

The youngest resident to date was a 14-year-old boy referred to IACRHP by the juvenile court system. After seven years of alcohol abuse he began to experience physical withdrawals, including delirium tremens.

"The patients are becoming younger and younger. Hopefully, we will catch them during their beginning stages. The earlier the age, the sooner the treatment -- which will help curtail teen-age alcoholism," said Mr. Taylor.

One-third of IACRHP residents enter the program under court order, facing a return to jail if they leave before the 90-day plan; another third are referred from other agencies; and the remaining third from the county detoxification center.

The center, located in a downtown area, is readily accessible to the Indian community, with a building capacity for 45 residents -- both male and female. Approximately half the clients are originally from reservations and cities outside of Utah, though some have established residency in the Salt Lake area and continue to live there after completing the program.

"Thirty percent of the patients who come through the program have success in staying sober, which is the norm for all treatment programs. Those who recover begin to like themselves better and have a positive outlook on life," said Mr. Taylor.

Richard J. Martin, a Hopi Indian, was ordered by a judge to receive treatment in January through the prison diversion plan. During his stay, he learned to cope with his problems and discovered a new career.

Mr. Martin noticed a job opening for Indian extras in a made-for-TV film version of Louis L'Amour's "Down the Long Hills." However, he wasn't hired as an extra -- instead, he received a supporting role as a Cheyenne chief. His acting debut is scheduled for telecast on the Disney Channel this fall.

"This is the best treatment program west of the Mississippi, and that's no exaggeration," he said. "Ev-



Susan Rogers, a Paiute from Cedar City, recently graduated from the IACRHP program and now heads an Alcoholics Anonymous group at the recovery house.

I get along better with people and I've made a lot of friends. You learn to laugh and cry -- so many emotional experiences."

After leaving the center in June, he found a job and rented an apartment. However, he later became unemployed and started drinking again until he decided to quit once and for all by returning to IACRHP. Currently, Mr. Martin is determined to follow the road to recovery and might appear in yet another "made-for-TV movie."

"The most important aspect of this program is that I learned to control my emotions and learned to say no. Right now, I feel very good about myself. My advice to those with the same program is to keep your head up and don't quit. Keep occupied -- and don't have too much time or mon-

Another patient who completed the Prison Diversion treatment is Susan Rogers, a Paiute Indian from Cedar City. The program not only helped her maintain her sobriety, but also kept her busy.

"I used to drink a lot because there was nothing for me at home," she explained. "First, it was every weekend, then it became every day. It's hard to say no to a drink. My friends supported my habit even when I had no money. When you're drinking, you think you have a lot of friends -- after you become sober, they are gone."

Miss Rogers entered the center last October at the suggestion of her parents to "get my act together." She completed the program in April and is now in charge of IACRHP's Alcoholics Anonymous program.

"I've gone through a lot. The worst part was my brother's suicide five months ago, and I learned how to cope without drinking. My friends and counselor offered tremendous support. The program built my self-esteem and helped me become a different person. I've had people tell me how much support they've received through the AA meetings. What makes me feel good is they have trust in me," she added.

Mr. Taylor believes there should be more alcohol treatment programs for women and hopes the situation will improve in the months ahead.

"The Indian Alcoholism Counseling and Recovery House Program has enabled Native Americans to gain insight into their behavior and discover a more positive self-image and a life without chemical dependency."

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October 17, 1986

Ronald Reagan  
The President of the United States  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.  
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

We urge you to sign HR 3113, a bill to authorize the Coordinated Operating Agreement, the Suisan Marsh Agreement, and the Small Reclamation Loan Program.

The Reclamation Loan Program is a very beneficial program and enjoys much support from water users in the State of Arizona.

Sincerely,

Donald R. Antone, Sr., Governor  
Gila River Indian Community

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NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: MR. C. HOBART KEITH

SUBJECT: WRITES REGARDING THE PLIGHT OF THE SIOUX  
INDIAN NATION AND HIS CASE, THE OGLALA SIOUX  
HOUSING AUTHORITY V. C. HOBART KEITH

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and insidious state financial chicaneries  
tantamount to assorted Jesuit religious \$ophistry  
conglomerated to prolong our course of genocide  
depriving the Indians of inherent self-government*

FRI 19 OCT 1986

President Ronald Reagon  
The White House  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. President:

From the necessary perspective, I am elated that you had the sense to make "Star Wars" into a front-burner issue, to let the school-yard bully know! that the son-of-a-bitch can't whip all o' the kids on the block; and

That your having done so, I concur with the analogy of such an astute and subtle conciliatory strategy, notwithstanding my castrated-American-citizenship, as one (1) O'glala Lakota No. 10909 yet enchained Before the Mast of Autocratic Paternalism, which is not an equitably conscious contract as when I once long ago volunteered for prolonged and extra hazardous duty, after Quam, Saipan, and Tinian.

The big "BIG" medal eluded me, fortunately or unfortunately, depending on one's point of few; as I was quite bitter then, I needed it to enable me to stand on the Senate floor, and tell'em where to stick it!

I've two letters from the Department of the Interior, one at the direction of LBJ, and the other at the direction of President Nixon, relevant to this degree of blood quantum business. In each the position is taken by both Presidents, in essence, the only thing that mattered was of "Indian descent." I heard the local blood quantum case, some years ago, when I was Chief Judge; and, there is no stipulation pertinent to one-quarter blood quantum to this day.

The term "Indian" is even a misnomer. As for myself, I take the position, that I am neither an Indian nor a wasicu\* (oops! i. e. a white\* man) as, in all reality, I am the sum total derivative end result of the lecherous sexual gratification of the Puritan/Pilgrim/Pioneer/Settler, borne of purported civilization, when it trekked up the Thieves' Road; bounding across the proverbial Wide Missouri, upon to the verdant plain of the Teton Sioux Nation, killing 'most all o' the buffalo and a host of other wild game, raping and plundering everything in its path -- it scaled the high snow-clad Rodky Mountains, ever onward to the Pacific Sea, leaving in its turbulent wake of lust and greed, the Mixed-blooded Indian-breed. (I am cognizant that I'm literally a prisoner of the Indian Wars of some 100 years ago. Devoid of freedom of choice, or equal protection of the law, nor of due process thereof.)

Oh, we're, of course, free to come and go from the Rez, but other ties psychologically enshroud us stitched and whip-sawed in a vacuum of limbo amidst severe variations of procrastinations, which are too irri-tant to our priorities and values. As a consequence, we are loathe to

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venture too far out into your sociological den of thieves and nuts! a place where you wasicu kill lil' unborn babies by legalized abortion, and kidnap young children for sexual abuses, and your judiciary tends to protect the sick deviates.

Ironically, as I am naught but 3/8ths Indian, and five eighths wasicu (white man), in volume and displacement, I've got more Celtic blood than you have, 'cause in those measurements I am bigger than you are by several pounds. (However, I'm a lucky bastard, I came back! Whereas, there are some 32 of my kindred and fellow tribesmen, who didn't make it. Their names are inscribed on a granite slab, down in front of the Bureau of Indian Affairs Office.)

You ought to conceptualize that most of your subordinate bureaucrats are devoid of sufficient mentalities to be cognitive of the following:

"We must all see ourselves as part of this earth, not as an enemy from the outside who tries to impose his will on it. Moreover, we who know the meaning of the pipe (i. e., the peace-pipe), also know that, being a living part of the earth, we cannot harm any part of her, without hurting ourselves."

Realizing the force of the suggestion that the truth should not be spoken to all people, I have caused these thoughts to be typed on rather good paper and in a somewhat expensive form. In this way the truth does not become cheap and vulgar, and is only placed before those whose intelligence and affluence will prevent their being influenced by it.

If the special interest groups ever decide to permit you to exercise your executive order powers, please feel free to consult me by telephone, 1-605/867-1066, and I will be happy to advise you CORRECTLY as to how to resolve this whole fiasco pursuant to the persistent Indian problems. As I believe I've got the key to changing their priorities and values, which are paradoxically hinged upon a conscious contract ascertained in a graduation system to pride of true-America-citizenship, and complete access to equal protection of the law irrefutably paralleled to due process thereunto. I have the testimony of an eminent lawyer, who stipulated that the National Constitution is not applicable to the Indian within the Indian country; id est, within the exterior boundaries of the "Indian reservation!" Which is, in all reality, a veritable Sophisticated Concentration Camp. In re the Japanese (World War II) -- they bombed Pearl Harbour, we beat the shit! out of 'em. Then after a scant 27 years! they got their Okinawan Islands back; and, we, the Teton Lakota, did not even get into the Court of Claims! untill after 100 years. Consequently, friggin' bureaucrats are keeping awake now throughout every night with the minds preoccupied with predatory fraud, trying to devise a way as to how they are going to screw us out of nigh onto some "two hundred million dollar\$" --- they still can't figure out as to just HOW to distribute the money.

It is my fervent prayer, that some of this information gets to you. (My telephone number again is: 1-605/867/1066).

Re: Afghanistan?orted Indian reservations? 'No wonder the Russian Politburo doesn't have too much respect for us. A sense of pride! must be instilled into my people. It doesn't come with 50 years of successful failure, as per the Indian Reorganization Act of 18 June, 1934. The oracle is all wrong. We must be proudly equal to any American citizen! Then, and only then, we may be able to stomach the inanities of the state of "south dakota." They've defiled the very name of "Dakota."

Sincerely "YOURN!"

P. S.

It appears, that one (1) Ross Swimmer must do as others tell him, what to do. Perchance, he is being unduly influenced by some people of the shit-head variety, who don't know unkja from wild-honey about Indians. Unkja is that stuff that some people wouldn't say even if ten of'em had a mouth full.

Most Americans were taught and brought up to believe the sophistry that lawyers are "honourable" folks. When actually the exact opposite is the true norm. They are "purveyors of (il)legal indulgences," as a class, are basically tricky, deceitful, often downright (?) dishonest; and, above all, they are more interested in an unwary client's bank account than they are in the merits of his claim. Lawyers will use underhanded tactics every chance they get, and INTIMIDATION is one of their principle weapons, especially against the layman appearing on his own behalf. Thus, the bastards' Motions to Dismiss are widely used to buy time and harass the opponent. So, a Pro Se litigant/litigator must learn to use a powerful counter-weapon on lawyers who try to use such a gimmick to delay a case. But, once a lawyer discovers that the Pro Se litigant/litigator knows the ropes, and refuses to be bullied, such purveyors of legal indulgences will be more inclined to behave like a human being, and less like the son-of-a-bitch that he really is.

However, if one happens to be a somewhat of an articulate Indian, the local judge will break his ass to keep you from and away out of site (sight?) of any jurors. As he knows that jury will identify with the under-dog (as it were). A judge gets kinda panicky under such circumstances. I have personal experience relevant to such conditions.

My mind being unsullied by the cunning connivances of a degree in either theology or the law, renders me more ordained than the ordained and more qualified than the qualified, to broach a broad variety of assorted subject matter; particularly pursuant to problem\$ Eeenjun. Of course I herewith stipulate, that I do not want Ross Swimmer's job. I would deign to work with him as his chief consultant. But, for an equitable honourarium, to give indisputable evidential proof! that I am well on my way of becoming civilized, because I am getting greedy. 'Fact o' the business, I am verily ready for a more complete type of citizenship.

At the risk of committing "leze majesty," the inconvertible affliction of the pure truth is: "Citizenship compulsorily bestowed is against the basic law of the United States and, thus, contrary to the spirit of its institution\$!" Citizenship must be a conscious contract between the Native American and the Federal Government with the irrefutable consent of the former with the latter. Without absolute Constitutional Rights, one cannot attain the biggest prize of them all: "American Citizenship. There are no half way measures -- there I\$ NO middle ground! it is ALL OR NOTHING AT ALL! Re: "Sec. 133 of the Indian Nationality Act of June 2, 1924, specifically states: An Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to issue certificates of citizenship to Indians. Shucks! that was some 48 secretaries-of-the-interior ago. It is absolutely irreparable harm to the whole friggin' Unites States of America. That old adage of the ostrich putting its head in the sand is naught but a lot o' plain bull-shit! And, NOTHIN' ELSE, but bull-shit! That phony Indian Nationality Act of June 2, 1924, was not only beaten once, but "TWICE!" in the Supreme Court of the United States of America!

Well! (that's a Reagon Wagon Well!) what and the HELL are you going to do about it? With no Constitutional Rights of the National variety -- THAT! knocks out Article XVI; you first reimburse the Indian DOUBLE as per 18 U.S.C.A. § 1160. Property damaged in committing offense RELEVANT TO FRAUDULENT INCOME TAXES: THAT! means the some 200 million dollars of the Black Hills Claim becomes "400!" million "dollars" plu\$ said HILL\$.

. . . OR, I will do a "rain dance" that'll cause the Russians NOT TO  
GET OUT OF AFGHANISTAN. Being "friggin' Reagon-wagon that you're NOT  
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I do not profess to be a social theorist, but the monopolization of the self-regulated current and narrow homogeneity of the all consuming legal profession is insidiously totalitarian and, therefore, unconstitutional under the snobbery of the judicial bar associations. That membership is a conglomerate of conceited predators of fraud, who are actually taught that no values are really important, and they use a legal jargon that is ultimately "neutral with respect to right or wrong," a jargon the lawman can never comprehend; andm at the bottom of their ideology is the implicit belief that the abstract concept of "justice" always prevails -- thus, it matters little which side of the case one is on. That is, to a mischievous parasite of any society.

But, at the same time, a sense of skepticism has been instilled, and rigorous legal analysis only serves to demonstrate that ANY chain of reasoning (and, thus, any real value system) leads inevitably to illogical conclusions. Law schools accept large numbers of idealists and then in three years transform them into mechanics, people who have rejected the social values they entered with and replaced them with the hired gun mentality that dominates the legal profession. It is not obvious how law schools mold and narrow their students. Heretical scholars are a rare breed in themselves.

Hence, lawyers are, by and large, unprincipled prostitutes! they become the legal haves, everyone else is part of the have-not\$.

In fact, the purpose of law school in a large measure is to confer status on a small, select group of people who get to be called lawyers.

From the classroom we learn the language of the law which befuddles the rest of society. From our professors and classmates we gain our credentials -- our status as lawyers. We become the legal haves, everyone else is part of the have-nots. To lose one's respect for one's colleagues and law professors, is to lose one's status. A lack of values, and the lack of nerve that follows ineluctably, is the heart of credentialism. It is the true legacy of Harvard Law School as a graduate school. And it became the force which gutted the Nader critique.

The root issue is: That in "THE OGLALA SIOUX HOUSING AUTHORITY v. C. HOBART EKITH proceedings were fraught with confusion and disorder at the pernicious instigation of a shyster lawyer from Rapid City, South Dakota, by the name of one Dennis Hill, who charged the said local Housing Authority some \$1,500.00 to get an action dismissed in federal court pursuant to the said shyster's chamber practice. I, the Defendant, was not even there. I had filed the action under the impression that I had earned Constitutional Rights as a World War II veteran. Obviously, I was mistaken, as the following ensued:

At the onset I filed in the local federal court, because of the instability of our own tribal court. The constant changes of judges -- chief judges in particular. Subsequently, as a consequence, the proximate result was, that I had incurred the ire of the Oglala Sioux Housing Authority, who, in an attempt to recoup their fifteen hundred dollars, they set upon having their (then) Executive Director, a Mr. Rooks, enjoin me in tribal court. And, that is where they made their mistake. I answered timely -- with a counter-claim. Mr. Rooks failed to answer at all. So. they went back to their shyster attorney, Dennis Hill, and he answered some (July 14, 1976 to February 22, 1977) seven months and eight days later, when the Oglala Sioux Tribal Code requires that no more than fifteen (15) days; subsequently, the shyster Hill had answered for for the said Housing Authority just short of seven months too late, as the allotted time had long lapsed. That is not including the amount of time prior to the time of the Judgment by Default. When the case was originally filed and I had answered timely with a counter-claim.

The Oglala Sioux Housing Authority having also violated the Tribal Constitution and By-Laws, by their said executive director's refusal to permit me, the defendant, to move my little 16'X20' artist's studio behind my house on lot 99 of Eastridge. The executive director, Mr. Rooks, alleged that I would have queered their insurance policy, when at the same time, Rooks failed to produce the documentary evidence where their insurance policy so stipulated his flimsy contention.

The root issue is (or, was): That the proceedings were fraught with confusion and disorder infused by the professional lawyer/shyster Hill, who charged the Housing Authority that unconscionable fifteen hundred dollars to get the case dismissed out of the federal court.

All I wanted to do was to paint pictures, and pursue my art career while, for security purposes, move my little studio onto my own lot for safety purposes also; because the dry grass around the little building had been set afire twice, but had miraculously not torched the structure. As things turned out, I was forced to sell my studio, although a successor executive director to Mr. Rooks had signed a document permitting me to move the studio, it was then too late. (It has been some fifteen days since a prejudicial judge dismissed the case via the flimsy excuse of LACHES, MY HAVING BEEN UNABLE TO PROSECUTE THE CASE, due to illnesses: Diabetes, a combination of rheumatoid and degenerative arthritis, heart disease, and occipital neuritis; and, the judge has yet to write his judgment order (Oct. 6, 1986 to Oct. 21, 1986) as yet. LACHES ?

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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

January 19, 1987

Dear Dr. Kingswan:

On behalf of the President, I would like to thank you for your recent correspondence regarding the Indian Health Service.

A copy of your letter has been forwarded to the appropriate officials at the Department of Health and Human Services for their benefit and consideration.

I sincerely appreciate your sharing your views with the Administration.

Sincerely,



Cristena L. Bach  
Special Assistant to the President  
for Intergovernmental Affairs

The Honorable Charles J. Kingswan, M.D.  
Chairman  
Wisconsin Winnebago Business Committee  
Post Office Box 311  
Tomah, Wisconsin 54660

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# Wisconsin Winnebago Business Committee

Governing Body of the Wisconsin Winnebago Nation

C. Bach

December 1, 1986

The Honorable Ronald W. Reagan  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue  
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President;

We apprise you of a semi-degenerate government-to-government relationship between the United States of America and the sovereign nation of the Wisconsin Winnebago Tribe. Not all is degenerate. Most aspects are positive and progressive. But those that are not are regressive and aggressive, growing tantamount to political racism, racial polemicism, stereotypical bureaucratic paternalism flavored with curious grains of strained patronizing, and plain, old, every day, out and out, oppression of racial and political minorities by the United States of America. This is a peculiar situation because the Winnebago Tribe predates the United States of America by centuries.

The Wisconsin Winnebago Tribe deals with the United States of America through several federal agencies, the two primary agencies being the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Indian Health Service. The Bureau is the elder agency and her maturational advantage over the younger Indian Health Service is brightly illustrated by their respective organizational demeanors. The Bureau readily espouses the operational existence of the government-to-government relationship between the United States of America and the Wisconsin Winnebago Tribe, our recent interrelational activities reflect that; on the other hand, the Indian Health Service seems to merely profess the government-to-government relationship while holding a protective stance over its erstwhile bureaucratic turf, and our recent interrelational activities definitely reflect that.

The Wisconsin Winnebago Tribe contends that it is the unwilling host of an unwarranted, unjustified, demeaning and demoralizing presence of federal (Indian Health Service) agents wearing the guise of helpers-that-be while they are exercising an assumed authority of affairs that clearly and plainly transcends the politically defined lines of demarcation between the United States of America and the Wisconsin Winnebago Tribe.

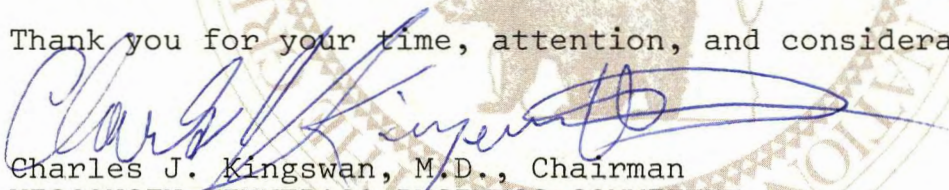
We write not to load you with detail, but to tell you that all is not well with our Peoples. As we wend our way into the twenty-first century let not our government-to-government relationships revert to those of the nineteenth century. We do not progress by going backwards.

It is said that when Alexander's army was confronted by a lone shepherd, representing his Tribal leader, high on the western slopes of the Himalayas that Alexander, ostensibly upon inner advisement, guided his army around that particular sovereign Tribes's territory. Do you recall who Alexander's boyhood teacher was? We must all recognize and remember that that same great giant of a teacher is still teaching today. And we must all realize that contrary to popular teachings that one need not necessarily be standing in the rarefied air of Himalayan heights nor upon the shoulders of a few rare giants of history to see farther than those who have come and gone before --- that can be done with one's own two feet planted firmly upon the "dermament" of Grandmother Earth. Sadly, most people see as through smoke-besmudged lenses, darkly, not realizing that eye-to-eye does not mean the same thing as an "eye for an eye."

We need Federal Government agents who, rather than focussing on their own "keen little regal and legal minds" look upon their trust responsibilities to American Indians with clear and open human eyes.

We, the Wisconsin Winnebago Tribe, trust that your office will respond to the exigency of our situation. Every instance and every moment of trespassing against Winnebago sovereignty is a treading upon the souls of our People. It is time that civil relations return to the Peoples of our hemisphere.

Thank you for your time, attention, and consideration.



Charles J. Kingswan, M.D., Chairman  
WISCONSIN WINNEBAGO BUSINESS COMMITTEE  
the governing body of the  
WISCONSIN WINNEBAGO TRIBE

cc: National Indian Organizations  
Secretary General of United Nations  
Congress of United States of America  
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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

October 10, 1986

Dear Mr. Garreaux:

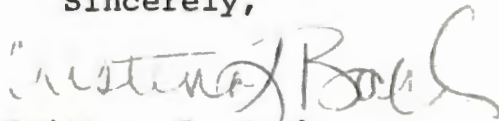
Thank you for your recent letter concerning the Indian Health Service and P.L. 83-671.

I have forwarded copies of your letter to the Intergovernmental Affairs Office at the Department of Health and Human Services and the Department of the Interior. I have asked them to answer your specific questions.

Thank you for taking the time to write. I appreciate your keeping me apprised of the issues and concerns of the Indians on the Cheyenne River Reservation.

If I can be of further assistance, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



Cristena L. Bach  
Special Assistant to the President  
for Intergovernmental Affairs

Mr. Manson Garreaux  
Post Office Box 266  
Ridgeview, SD 57652-0266

Shipping:

Notes have been sent to HHS + DOI along with copies of this letter.

Please - just read + keep on file for our future use.  
OH! + send letter :)

Eagle Butte, South Dakota 57625  
September 25th, 1986

M's Cristena L. Bach  
Special Assistant to the President  
for Intergovernmental Affairs  
President's Liaison for Indian Affairs  
Old Executive Office Building  
17th & Pennsylvania Ave, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20500

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Dear M's Bach:

I would like to thank you for your nice letter of August 22, 1986. it was nice of you to respond, I hope this letter is not presumptuous on our part, but we the undersigned, are desiring to bring to your attention matters that may require corrective action on the part of the President and more specifically from your office.

In our previous letter to you, I mentioned new proposed rules and regulations initiated by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Indian Health Service concerning eligibility criterion in its health delivery system for American Indians throughout the country that it is charged by statute to render. We have no grounds to dispute this rationale, but our contention would be to take it a step further and not daw-dle at a set degree as currently proposed. as this estimation maybe to low and would seem like a paradox, When it reality, the Congress addressed this issue in 1934 by establishing blood quantum at 1/2 (P.L.383. 73d Cong.sec 19.). and again in 1954 (P.L.83-671. 83d Cong.sec 2.). So it would behoove the Administration to require the Indian Health Service and Bureau of Indian Affairs to carry out the intent of these legislative Acts as they are so ambiguous and on point as to leave no doubt.

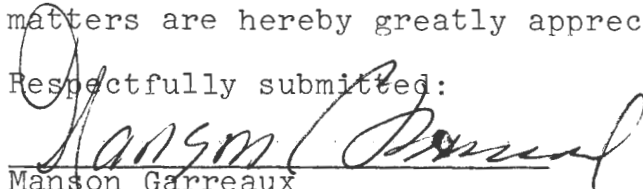
M's Bach, We the full-blood Indians residing on the Cheyenne River Reservation in South Dakota would also like to implore the Administration to champion our cause and desires to make P.L.83-671 and its provisions applicable to our reservation, we feel that this piece of legislation would be a step in the right direction in terms of assisting the full-bloods to initiate development programs without impediment from the mixed-blood members of the tribe, but more importantly, due largely to budget constrains, etc.

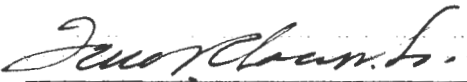
Public Law 83-671 enacted by Congress for the Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota and never implemented by the Bureau of Indian Affairs is the following illustrative scenario that due to the fact that no Indian knew of the existence of the bill, it had been carefully guarded from its inception, and the press missed it in the pressure of other matters. The Indian superintendent knew, but no one of the public servants hired to protect Indian interests and supposed to represent the Indian as a lawyer is expected to defend his client- not one of them wanted or dared even anonymously to "leak" information to the Indians-not even to a single Indian. During those days the tribes were immured.

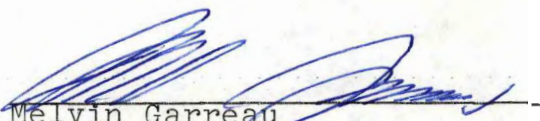
In our persistency for the truth, we were able to uncover this document,

Your kind consideration and generous assistance in these matters are hereby greatly appreciated. Thank you.

Respectfully submitted:

  
Manson Garreaux  
P.O.Box 266  
Ridgeview, South Dakota 57652-0266

  
True Vincent Clown Sr.  
General Delviery  
Dupree, South Dakota 57623

  
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Subject: Wants Bureau of Indian Affairs to include some of his ancestors and himself as citizens of the Choctaw Nation for the right of full participation in the undivided lands.

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# United States Department of the Interior

BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20245

IN REPLY REFER TO:

**Real Estate Services  
Titles and Research  
BCCO 5120**

NOV 13 1986

Mr. Arthur J. Greer  
2740 Fontaine Road  
San Jose, California 95121

Dear Mr. Greer:

Thank you for your letter of October 19 to President Reagan concerning your claim "to the right of full participation in the undivided (sic) lands, trust and natural resources of the Choctaw Na[t]ion." Inasmuch as the bases for your claim were set forth in your letter of October 14 to our Muskogee Area Office, we are forwarding your letter of October 19 to that office for a direct response.

We trust that you will be hearing from the Area Office in the near future.

Sincerely,

/S/ Frank Anthony Ryan

Deputy to the Assistant Secretary -  
Indian Affairs (Trust and Economic  
Development)

cc: Muskogee Area Director, Attention: Realty Officer, with original for a direct response and copy to this office.

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NOVEMBER 5, 1986

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MEDIA: LETTER, DATED OCTOBER 19, 1986

TO: PRESIDENT REAGAN

FROM: MR. ARTHUR J. GREER  
2740 FONTAINE ROAD  
SAN JOSE CA 95121

SUBJECT: WANTS BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS TO INCLUDE  
SOME OF HIS ANCESTORS AND HIMSELF AS CITIZENS  
OF THE CHOCTAW NATION FOR THE RIGHT OF FULL  
PARTICIPATION IN THE UNDIVIDED LANDS

PROMPT ACTION IS ESSENTIAL -- IF REQUIRED ACTION HAS NOT BEEN  
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RETURN CORRESPONDENCE, WORKSHEET AND COPY OF RESPONSE  
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SALLY KELLEY  
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October 19, 1986

The Honorable Ronald Regan  
President of the United States of America  
Washington, DC

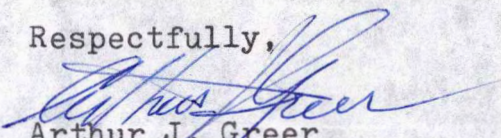
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Dear President Regan:

Like most of our people who write to you I too think my personal problems warrant a few minuets of your very valuable time. And yet I do realize that your energies could be better spent in attempting to find solutions to our very complex domestic and foreign problems. There are so many faces in the crowds over the the years until I am some how certain that you will not remember meeting me in my capacity as Legislative Director for the Bernard "Skip" Whalen, Area Local of the American Postal Workers Union AFL-CIO while you were Governor of California. May I enlist your support in my effort to obtain administrative redress of a wrong. The wrong of which I write is the failure of the U.S. Department of the Interiors, Bureau of Indian Affairs to include me and some of my ancestors as citizens of the Choctaw Nation. The Choctaw are a tribe of Indians which was relocated in the Oklahoma Territory; they also listed among the socalled Five Civilized Tribes. I have outlined my claime to the right of full participation in the undevided lands, trust and natural resources of the Choctaw Na ion. Please find copies of my claim letter and copies of the data which I think support my claim. I thank you for any assistance that you will be able give me in the resolution of my claim.

mls

Respectfully,



Arthur J. Greer  
2740 Fontaine Rd  
San Jose, CA. 95121  
Telephone: 408-274-3557 (home)  
415-591-9471 (work)

cc: file

October 14, 1986

U.S. Department of the Interior  
Bureau of Indian Affairs  
Muskogee Area Office  
Attn: Pat Willianson, Realty Officer

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Thank you for your letter dated October 8, 1986 which addressed the allotted land within the Choctaw Nation which was conveyed to my relatives. It is well settled that any unrestricted real property which is purchased by a bonafide in due course of commerce is taken free of any hidden restrictions. As you know the instrument conveying two parcels of land to my Grandfather and to my Aunt made this property inalienable during the life of the allottee. There appears to be an attempt on the part of the drafters of the instrument of conveyance to avoid the rule against perpetuities which may be stated as follows: an instrument of conveyance is void unless it shall vest within lives in being plus 21 years plus a period of gestation. It is clear to me that the conveyor of the real property intended that title to the allotted land should be inalienable during the lives of the allottees plus a period of twenty one (21) years. Both my Grandfather and my Aunt died divested of title to their lands. And my mother who was born after the closing of the final rolls of the Choctaw Nation did not receive any land.

My claim is that I have the same rights as any and all citizens of the Choctaw Nation to an equal share in any and all undivided lands trust and natural resources of the Choctaw Nation. Please find enclosed affidavits of birth for my aunt and my grandfather and my mother in which each of them claimed Choctaw ancestry that is both their maternal and paternal ancestors were Choctaws. These affidavits were accepted by the Commission implementing the provisions of the Act of May 27, 1908 and made perfect by the seal of the Governor of the Choctaw Nation and the signature of the Principal Chief of the Choctaw Nation. The language of the affidavits do not take cognizance of the fact that my grandfather and my mother and my aunt were born free within the Choctaw Nation and that my grandfather lived within the Choctaw Nation for at least twenty two (22) years. That is to say that the Commission acting within the scope of the Act of May 27, 1908 failed to take cognizance of the fact that the 13th, 14th and 15th amendments to the U.S. Constitution had become law before any of the relatives mentioned above had been born. It is set forth in the affidavits by birth and by adoption of the Choctaw Nation; therefore the disability of slavery set forth within

affidavits had no force and effect on the rights of my ancestors to enjoy any and all rights of citizens of the Choctaw Nation. Copies of these affidavits of birth and citizenship are attached hereto incorporated by reference and made a part of my claim.

My claim is also base on the contention that no act of the Commissions and/or Administrators could divest my ancestors of their rights as citizens of the Choctaw Nation. In general the people whose duty it was execute and to impliment the reorganization and reconstruction legislation enacted by the congress were the same people who had oppressed my ancestors prior to the Civil War. They were the rulers of a congueded people from whom all land with the exception of a so called Choctaw Nation their prejudices and social attitudes are well known, even in Hollywood where they were glamorized. Answer the following;

1. What was the commissions criterior for determining the degree of Indian Blood. It was certainly not within the scope of the constitutional concept of fair play and substantial justice.
2. Were intermarried whites treated the same as intermarried blacks. Although at the bottom of their social ladder intermarried whites and indians of mixed white blood were some times allowed to go the same school that is unless their were enough Indians for a seperate school. With any indication of black blood even through association was considered a traitor seperated from the majority.
3. What are the rights if any of citixens of the Choctaw Nation who failed to perfect their rights as citizens of the Choctaw Nation during their life time. Can the childern of these citizens share in the undivided lands of the Choctaw Nation or in the resulting trust and natural resources.

Forgive me for straying so far from my claim. Please make a determination of my claim or in the alternative refer me to the proper department of government. I shall await your answer with interest.

Sincerely,



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# United States Department of the Interior

BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS  
MUSKOGEE AREA OFFICE  
MUSKOGEE, OKLAHOMA 74401

IN REPLY REFER TO:

Trust and  
Natural Resources  
Real Prop.Mgmt.

OCT 8 1986

Mr. Arthur J. Greer  
2740 Fontaine Road  
San Jose, CA 95121

Dear Mr. Greer:

This has reference to your letter of August 16, 1986, concerning filing a claim to certain lands in Oklahoma.

Our records indicate that John Watson was enrolled on the Choctaw Freedman Roll opposite number 1752, and Maria A. Watson was enrolled on the Choctaw Freedman Roll opposite Number 1753, and both received allotments of land from the Choctaw Nation in Choctaw County, Oklahoma. We are happy to enclose copies of said allotment deeds.

The lands allotted to John and Maria Watson were subject to provisions of the Act of May 27, 1908 (35 Stat. 312), which provided in part as follows:

"All lands, including homesteads, of said allottees enrolled as intermarried whites, as freedmen, and as mixed-blood Indians having less than half Indian blood including minors shall be free from all restrictions."

Inasmuch as the properties allotted these individuals have been unrestricted, taxable, and not subject to supervision of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, we have maintained no records concerning ownership. A check of the records of the County Clerk of Choctaw County, located at Hugo, OK 74743, would reveal disposition and current ownership.

Although Choctaw Freedmen were allotted lands in the Choctaw Nation, they were not necessarily Choctaw Indians by blood. When slavery was abolished following the Civil War, treaties were negotiated with the Five Civilized Tribes. The treaties conferred citizenship in the tribes on those who had been held in slavery by the tribes. No degree of Indian blood was reflected for individuals enrolled on the Freedmen rolls; therefore, the Bureau is unable to issue a certification of degree of Indian blood.

We regret that we are unable to be of more assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

*Pat Wilkinson*

Realty Officer.

Choctaw Nation Freedmen Roll

CARD NO. \_\_\_\_\_

FIELD NO. 564

NAME	AGE	SEX	TREAS. SETTLEMENT	CLASS.	REMARKS
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Johnson, John	25	M.	1566 Red River	3094	
Fielder, Thomas	25	M.	1566 Red River	3094	Not on roll
Watson, Maria A.	17	F.	1566 Red River	3094	" " "

DECISION RENDERED MAY 3 1905

**GRANTED**

7 COPY OF DECISION FOR ATTORNEYS FOR CHOCTAW & CHICKASAW NATIONS

No 2 is copy of lettered bill de Choctaw Freedmen card # 1408.

9 COPY OF DECISION FORWARDED APPLICANT

See lettered bill de Choctaw Freedmen card # 1408. Copy filed Dec 23 1902

**ENROLLMENT.**  
 OF NO. 2 HERSON  
 APPROVED BY THE SECRETARY OF INTERIOR JUL 20 1905

Evidence of marriage between No 1 and 2 filed Nov 17 1902  
 No 1 and 2 have separated and No 2 is now wife of  
 William Fields. See letter filed Nov 17 1902. 17-1408.

**ENROLLMENT.**  
 OF NO. 1, 2 HERSON  
 APPROVED BY THE SECRETARY OF INTERIOR APR - 6 1905

No 2 see decision of May 3 1905  
 For chis. of No 2 see NB (Apr 26 '06) 307

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# THE CHOCTAW AND CHICKASAW NATIONS INDIAN TERRITORY.

To All to Whom These Presents Shall Come, Greeting:

WHEREAS, By the Act of Congress approved July 1, 1902 (32 Stat., 641), and ratified by the citizens of the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations September 25, 1902, it was provided that there should be allotted, by the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, to each Choctaw and Chickasaw freedman, land equal in value to forty acres of the average allottable land of the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations, which shall be inalienable during the lifetime of the allottee, not exceeding twenty-one years from the date of certificate of allotment, and,

WHEREAS, The said Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes has certified that the land hereinafter described has been selected by or on behalf of John Watson, freedman, as an allotment:

NOW, THEREFORE, We, the undersigned, the Principal Chief of the Choctaw Nation and the Governor of the Chickasaw Nation, by virtue of the power and authority vested in us by the twenty-ninth section of the Act of Congress of the United States, approved June 28, 1898 (30 Stat., 495), have granted and conveyed, and by these presents do grant and convey unto the said John Watson all right, title and interest of the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations and of all citizens of said Nations, in and to the following described land, viz:

The South West quarter of the North East quarter of Section Eleven (11) Township Eight (8) South and Range Fourteen (14) East (Choctaw Nation)

of the Indian Base and Meridian, in Indian Territory, containing Forty (40)

acres, more or less, as the case may be, according to the United States survey thereof, subject, however, to the provisions of the Act of Congress approved July 1, 1902 (32 Stat., 641).

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, We, the Principal Chief of the Choctaw Nation and the Governor of the Chickasaw Nation, have hereunto set our hands and caused the great seal of our respective Nations to be affixed at the dates hereinafter shown.

Date, December 21, 1904  
Green McCurtain  
Principal Chief of the Choctaw Nation.

Date, December 12, 1904  
Douglas H. Johnston  
Governor of the Chickasaw Nation.

Department of the Interior,

Approved Jul 26, 1905  
Thomas Pagon  
ACTING Secretary.

By Oliver A Phelps  
Clerk.

Filed for record on the 31 day of July, 1905, at 3 o'clock P. M.

ENDORSED ON BACK.



DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, November 5, 1904.  
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17-805.

In the matter of the application of Creasey Fields  
for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman.

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William Fields, being first duly sworn, testified as  
follows:

- Q. What is your name. A. William Fields.  
Q. Are you a state man. A. No sir.  
Q. Are you a Choctaw freedman. A. Yes sir.  
Q. Have you made application--had your land allotted yet.  
A. No sir, I have not filed yet.  
Q. How old are you. A. I was born in 61, March 4th.  
( The name of the witness is identified upon Choctaw  
Freedmen Card, number 1408.)  
Q. You appear today in behalf of whom. A. My wife.  
Q. What is her name. A. Creasey Fields.  
Q. Who was her father. A. William Shoals.  
Q. What was he. A. Choctaw.  
Q. Slave. A. Yes sir.  
Q. To whom did he belong. A. Robert Jones.  
Q. What was her mother's name. A. I do not know.  
Q. Was it Nellie. A. I could not be positive, but I  
believe it was Nellie.  
Q. Was her mother a slave. A. Yes sir.  
Q. To whom did she belong. A. I could not be positive  
about that.  
Q. Where was your wife born. A. In the Choctaw Nation,  
but I do not know just where.  
Q. How long have you known her. A. About ten or twelve  
years.  
Q. Where has she been living during that time. A. In the  
Choctaw Nation.  
Q. Has she been living outside any of that time. A. You  
mean in the states.  
Q. Yes. A. No sir.  
Q. What was her former husband's name. A. Johnnie  
Watson.  
Q. Is he dead. A. No sir.  
Q. Did your wife get a divorce from him. A. Yes sir.  
Q. Do you know that of your own knowledge. A. Yes sir.  
He is married, too.

- Q. When did you marry Creasey. A. We have been married about seven years, as well as I remember. Six or seven years.
- Q. Five years ago was not she the wife of the other man. A. That is so. I just can not remember when we did marry. I am trying to think of the age of that child. It has been somewhere between four and five years ago when we married.
- Q. She is living today. A. Yes sir.
- Q. What is your post office address. A. Oberlin, Indian Territory.

WITNESS EXCUSED.

Eula J. Branson, on oath, states that, as stenographer to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, she reported the proceedings had in the above entitled cause on the 5th. day of November, 1904, and that the above and foregoing is a full, true and correct transcript of her stenographic notes taken in said cause on said date.

*Eula J. Branson.*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the 5<sup>th</sup> day of November, 1904.

*Charles H. Sawyer*

Notary Public.

FRIEDMAN

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

Caddo, Ind. Ter., August 26, '99.

In the matter of the application for enrollment of JOHN WATSON, the applicant being questioned by Commissioner Needles et al., testified:

I am 25 years of age; my mother's name is Maria Odell and she belonged to Forbess La Flore. I was born at Boggy Depot. I have been living at Lake West, that is in the Choctaw Nation. I have lived there about six years now. I have always lived in the Indian Territory and never in Texas. I am married. My wife's name is Lucretia Watson. She is 22 years old. Her mother's name is Millie Sholes. She belonged to Mitchell Harrison. He was a Choctaw.

His wife Lucretia being sworn testified: I have always lived here in the Nation. I have ~~xxxx~~ ~~xxxxxx~~ one child. Its name is Maria Ann and it is seven months old.

Department of the Interior,

Commission to the five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as stenographer to above named Commission, that this transcript is a true, full and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

*B. McDonald*

PATENT TO FREEDMAN.

No. 1404

CHOCTAW FREEDMEN ROLL 1753

DATE OF CERTIFICATE September 25, 1903

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ENDORSED ON BACK

Department of the Interior,

Approved July 26, 1905

Thomas Ryan ACTING Secretary.

By Oliver A. Phelps Clerk.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT, as a citizen of the Choctaw Nation,  
of Maria A Watson, born on the 6th day of January, 1898  
(Here insert name of child.)  
Name of Father: John H Watson, a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.  
Name of Mother: Lucie Watson (now Fields), a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.  
Post-Office: Oberlin Ina Ter

AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, }  
INDIAN TERRITORY,  
Central District. }

I, Lerecie Fields, on oath state that I am 27  
years of age and a citizen, by adoption, of the Choctaw Nation;  
that I ~~was~~ <sup>was</sup> the lawful wife of John H Watson, who is a citizen, by  
adoption, of the Choctaw Nation, that a female child was  
(Male or female.)  
born to me on the 6th day of January, 1898; that said child has been  
named Maria A Watson, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

Lerecie Fields

(Must be Two Witnesses.)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 30 day of November 1902

R. E. Yanner  
Notary Public.

AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, }  
INDIAN TERRITORY,  
Central District. }

I, Nellie Wilson, a midwife, on oath state that I  
attended on Mrs. Lerecie Watson (now Fields) <sup>whom as</sup> wife of John H Watson,  
on the 6th day of January, 1898; that there was born to her on said  
date a female child; that said child is now living and is said to have been  
(Male or female.)  
named Maria A Watson.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

Nellie Wilson

(Must be Two Witnesses.)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 30 day of November 1902

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
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IN RE Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the Choctaw Nation,  
of Maria A. Watson, born on the 6 day of January, 1898.  
(Here insert name of child.)  
Name of Father: John H. Watson a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.  
Name of Mother: Cresie Watson a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.  
Post-office Chickin Deal, Tex.

AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
INDIAN TERRITORY,  
Cent. District.

I, Cresie Watson, on oath state that I am 27  
years of age and a citizen, by Adoption, of the Choctaw Nation;  
that I <sup>was</sup> the lawful wife of John H. Watson, who is a citizen, by  
Adoption, of the Choctaw Nation; that a Female child was  
(male or female.)  
born to me on 6 day of January, 1898, that said child has been  
named Maria A. Watson, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

Cresie Fields

(Must be Two Witnesses.)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 7 day of October, 1902

R. E. Penner  
NOTARY PUBLIC.

AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
INDIAN TERRITORY,  
Cent. District.

I, Nellie Wilson, a Midwife, on oath state that I  
attended on Mrs. Cresie Watson, wife of John H. Watson  
on the 6 day of January, 1898; that there was born to her on  
said date a Female child; that said child is now living and is said to have been  
(male or female.)  
named Maria A. Watson.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

Nellie Wilson

(Must be Two Witnesses.)

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