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Secretary of the Interior Stewart L. Udall has ordered rolls prepared for use in distributing judgment funds awarded by the Indian Claims Commission to six tribes.

To share in the awards~ which were ordered in five separate cases, are the Miami Indians of Oklahoma and Indiana; the Omaha Tribe of Nebraska; the Quileute Tribe and the Hoh Indians of Western Washington; and two other Western Washington Tribes -- Nooksack and Duwamish.

Legislation authorizing the distribution of the judgment funds was enacted during the closing days of the 89th Congress. Laws governing disposition of the judgment funds prescribe that payment rolls be established. Requirements for enrollment differ in each case.

Attached are rules governing enrollment applications for each of the six tribes. Application forms and detailed information may be obtained from the Bureau of Indian Affairs offices indicated in the filing requirements for each tribe.

Requirements for Tribal Enrollment and Deadlines for Filing Enrollment Applications

MIAMI INDIANS OF OKLAHOMA AND INDIANA For Docket 124-A

All persons of Miami Indian ancestry born on or prior to October 14, 1966, and still living on that date shall be entitled to share if their names, or the names of an ancestor through whom they claim eligibility, appears on one of the following rolls:

- roll of Miami Indians of Indiana (June 12, 1895);
- roll of "Miami Indians of Indiana now living in Kansas, Quapaw Agency, Indian Territory, and Oklahoma Territory";
- roll of Eel River Miami Tribe (May 27, 1889) prepared and completed pursuant to 25 Stat. 223 of June 29, 1888.

For Dockets 67 and 124

All persons of Miami Indian ancestry born on or prior to October 14, 1966, and living on that date, whose names or the name of an ancestor appears on any of the rolls listed above under Docket l24-A or on the roll of the Western Miami Tribe (June 12, 1891) prepared pursuant to 26 Stat o 1,000 of March 3, 1891.

Filing Requirements: Applications must be postmarked no later than July 34 1967. They may be filed at either of these addresses: (1) Area Director, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Federal Building, Muskogee, Okla. 74401; (2) Mr. David McKillup, 222 Spencer Hotel, Marion, Ind. 46952.

NOOKSACK TRIBE

All persons born on or prior to October 14, 1966, and still living on that date, who established that they are descendants of members of the Nooksack Tribe as it existed in 1855, shall be entitled to be enrolled to share in the Nooksack judgment.

Filing Requirements: Applications for enrollment must be filed with the Area Director, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Box 3785, Portland, Ore. 97208; and must be postmarked no later than September 1, 1967.

DUWAMISH TRIBE

All persons born on or prior to October 14, 1966 and still living on that date, who establish that they are descendants of members of the Duwamish Tribe as it existed in 1855, shall be entitled to be enrolled to share in the distribution of judgment fund.

Filing Requirements: Applications for enrollment must be filed with the Area Director, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Box 3785, Portland, Ore o 97208; and must be postmarked no later than September 1, 1967.

OMAHA TRIBE OF NEBRASKA

The membership roll of the Omaha Tribe prepared pursuant to 75 Stat. 508 of Sept, 14, 1961 shall be brought up to date by adding the names of children born after lepta 14, 1961 and still living on Nov. 2, 1966, who possess at least one-fourth degree aboriginal Omaha Indian blood o Children who are enrolled with any other tribe shall not be entitled to have their names added to the Omaha roll.

Filing Requirements: Applications for enrollment must be filed with the Area Director, Bureau of Indian Affairs, 820 South Main St., Aberdeen, S. Dak. 57401; and must be postmarked no later than April I, 1967.

QUILEUTE TRIBE

Prior to establishment of a current roll, a base roll is to be established for the Quileute Tribe. This shall be done by the Secretary of the Interior with the assistance of the tribal governing body. Applicants for base enrollment must establish that they were born on or prior to Dec. 31, 19400 No persons deceased as of that date would be eligible for base enrollment. The base roll so established shall henceforth be considered the base roll for all purposes.

Applicants for enrollment on the current tribal roll must first establish membership or derivation from the base roll. They must have been born on or prior to October 14, 1966, and be still living on that date. They must further meet the following specifications of the tribal constitution:

(1) that they were born to any member of the tribe who resided on the reservation at the time of the applicant's birth; or

(2) that they possess 1/2 or more degree Indian blood and were born to a nonresident member of the tribe; or

(3) that they possess any degree of Indian blood and were born to parents who were both members of the tribe.

No person enrolled with any other tribe shall be eligible for the Quileute roll unless such person files a formal statement relinquishing membership in another tribe including all right, title and interest in undistributed assets of the other tribe

Filing Requirements: Applications for enrollment must be filed with the Superintendent, Western Washington Agency, Bureau of Indian Affairs, 3006 Colby Ave., Everett, Wash. 98201; and must be postmarked no later than April 1, 1967.

HOH TRIBE

To be included on the base roll of the Hoh Tribe an applicant must establish that (1) he was born on or prior to October 14, 1966, and was still living on that date; (2) his name or the name of a lineal ancestor is listed on the, Census of the Hoh Indians of Neah Bay Agency, Wash. (June 30, 1894); and (3) he is not enrolled with any other tribe.

No person who is enrolled with any other tribe shall be eligible to have his name placed on the Hoh base roll unless such person files a formal statement relinquishing his membership in the other tribe, including all right, title, and interest he may have in the undistributed assets of the other tribe.

Filing Requirements: Applications for enrollment must be filed with the Superintendent, Western Washington Agency, Bureau of Indian Affairs, 3006 Colby Ave., Everett, Wash. 98201; and must be postmarked no later than April 1, 1967.