

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

ELOUISE PEPION COBELL, et al.,)
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 Plaintiffs,)
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 v.)
)
 DIRK KEMPTHORNE, Secretary of the Interior,)
 et al.,)
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 Defendants.)
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Case No. 1:96CV01285
(Judge Robertson)

**NOTICE OF FILING OF DECEMBER 2006 STATUS REPORT BY
THE DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR OFFICE OF TRUST RECORDS**

The Department of the Interior Office of Trust Records hereby submits its status report for activity in December 2006. A copy of the report is attached hereto.

Dated: January 16, 2007

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that, on January 16, 2007 the foregoing *Notice of Filing of December 2006 Status Report by the Department of the Interior Office of Trust Records* was served by Electronic Case Filing, and on the following who is not registered for Electronic Case Filing, by facsimile:

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ACTIVITY REPORT
OFFICE OF TRUST RECORDS
December 1 - 31, 2006

PROGRAMMATIC:

- **Labat-Anderson (Labat Indexing Project)**

Labat reported that indexing of 1,140 boxes of inactive Indian records was completed in December 2006. The total number of boxes completed through December 2006 is approximately 151,675.

- **Movement of Records**

The Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) and Office of the Special Trustee (OST) moved 2,441 boxes of inactive records from various field locations to Lenexa, Kansas, for indexing and subsequent storage at the American Indian Records Repository (AIRR) during this reporting period.

- **Records Retention Schedules**

In December 2006, OTR completed development of record retention schedules for the following BIA electronic records systems: Social Services Assistance System, Progeny, Facilities Management Information System, Fee-to-trust, Identity Information System, National Integrated Oil and Gas Electronic Management System, Timber Sales Accounting and Report Program/Operations Inventory, and Colorado River Electrical Utility Management System.

Records retention schedules for the following OST electronic records systems were developed and forwarded to NARA during the last week of December 2006: Risk Management Plus, Trust Beneficiary Call Center, and Lockbox/Trust Funds Receivable Application.

- **Site Assessments Statement**

During the month of December, the Office of Trust Review and Audit issued final records assessment reports for Minnesota Agency, Umatilla Agency, and Crow Creek Agency BIA offices; and Umatilla Agency and Crow Creek Agency IIM offices.

- **Records Training**

OTR provided records management training for 49 BIA and OST records contacts. OTR inadvertently reported that 18 BIA and OST records contacts were trained in November 2006. The number of records contacts trained was actually

17. The November Monthly Activity Report is hereby corrected to reflect the correct number.

- **Equipment**

41 pieces of fireproof filing equipment were delivered to tribal offices in December 2006.

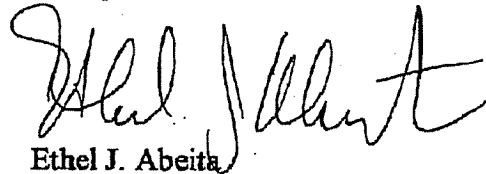
- **Litigation Support and Research Requests**

OTR continued to provide significant support to the Office of the Solicitor, Office of Historical Trust Accounting and its contractors, and the Department of Justice and its contractors. AIRR staff provided responses to 216 research requests from BIA, OST and other requesters.

ADMINISTRATIVE: General administrative activities continued.

GENERAL OBSERVATIONS: None.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief. I express no opinion on the content of the Site Assessments Statement described above.



Ethel J. Abeita

I declare under penalty of perjury that the content of the Site Assessments Statement described above is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief. I express no opinion on the contents of other sections/subsections of the report.



Jeff Lords
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