

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

**NOTICE OF FILING OF JUNE 2007 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 June 2007. A copy of the report is attached hereto.

Dated: July 16, 2007

Respectfully submitted,  
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that, on July 16, 2007 the foregoing *Notice of Filing of June 2007 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**  
June 1 - 30, 2007

**PROGRAMMATIC:**

- Labat-Anderson (Labat Indexing Project)

Labat reported that indexing of 1,220 boxes of inactive Indian records was completed in June 2007. The total number of boxes completed through June 2007 is approximately 157,880.

- Movement of Records

The Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) and Office of the Special Trustee (OST) moved 2,108 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.

- Site Assessments Statement

During the month of June, OTRA performed 4 records assessments at the following locations: Eastern Region (BIA); Eastern Region (IIM Field Office); and NBC, OST/Office of Appraisal Services for two regions (Eastern Region and Western Region). OTRA issued 5 records assessments reports for Uintah and Ouray Agency (BIA); Uintah and Ouray (IIM Field Office), and NBC, OST/Office of Appraisal Services for three regions (Rocky Mountain Region, Western Region, and Southwest Region).

- Records Training

OTR provided records management training for 43 BIA/OST records contacts and 41 Tribal employees. OTR provided training on vital records for 201 BIA, OST and Tribal employees.

- Equipment

126 pieces of fireproof filing equipment were delivered to BIA, OST and Tribal offices in June 2007.

- Litigation Support and Research Requests

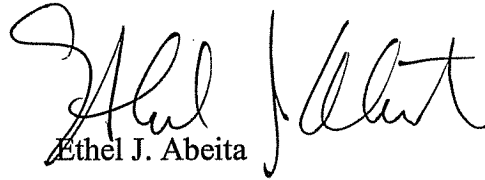
OTR continued to provide significant support to the Office of the Solicitor, Office of Historical Trust Accounting and its contractors, and the Department of Justice and its contractors. AIRR staff provided responses to 204 research requests from

BIA, OST and other requesters. Additionally with the recent filing of numerous tribal trust litigation cases, litigation-related information and document requests pertaining to records at the AIRR continue to increase. Many of these requests have very short deadlines.

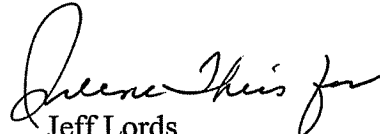
**ADMINISTRATIVE:** General administrative activities continued.

**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  
Director, Office of Trust Review and Audit