

(Pub. L. 90-76, §1, Aug. 29, 1967, 81 Stat. 177.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Chapter XII of the Third Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1952, referred to in text, is chapter XII of Act June 5, 1952, ch. 369, 66 Stat. 101, which was not classified to the Code.

The Indian Claims Commission, referred to in text, terminated Sept. 30, 1978. See Codification note set out under former section 70 et seq. of this title.

**§ 787. Advances or expenditures from tribal funds**

Funds that are deposited to the Creek Nation pursuant to sections 786 to 788 of this title, including interest and income therefrom, may be advanced or expended for any purpose that is authorized by the principal chief of the Creek Nation and the Secretary of the Interior.

(Pub. L. 90-76, §2, Aug. 29, 1967, 81 Stat. 177.)

**§ 788. Federal trust upon escheat of estates of members dying intestate without heirs**

When, upon the final determination of a court having jurisdiction or by decision of the Secretary of the Interior after a period of five years from the death of the decedent, it is determined that a member of the Creek Nation or tribe of Oklahoma or a person of Creek Indian blood has died intestate without heirs, owning trust or restricted Indian lands or an interest therein in Oklahoma, such lands or interests owned, together with all rents and profits occurring therefrom, shall escheat to the Creek Nation of Indians of Oklahoma and be held thereafter in trust for said Indians by the United States.

(Pub. L. 90-76, §3, Aug. 29, 1967, 81 Stat. 177.)

**§ 788a. Disposition of judgment funds; preparation of Indian roll; eligibility**

The Secretary of the Interior shall prepare a roll of all persons who meet the following requirements: (a) they were born on or prior to and were living on September 21, 1968; (b) their names or the names of lineal ancestors appear on any of the documents identified herein or on any available census rolls or other records acceptable to the Secretary, which identify the person as a Creek Indian, including ancient documents or records of the United States located in the National Archives, State or county records in the archives of the several States or counties therein or in the courthouses thereof, and other records that would be admissible as evidence in an action to determine Indian lineage:

- (1) The Final Rolls of Creeks by Blood which were closed as of March 4, 1907;
- (2) Claims of Friendly Creeks paid under the Act of March 3, 1817 (H.R. Doc. 200, 20:1, 1828);
- (3) Census of the Creek Nation, 1833, made pursuant to article 2 of the treaty concluded March 24, 1832 (Senate Doc. 512, 1835, Emigration Correspondence, 1831-1833, pages 239-395);
- (4) Land Location Registers of Creek Indian Lands, made pursuant to the Treaty of March 24, 1832;
- (5) Any emigration or muster rolls of Creek Indians;
- (6) Any lists of self-emigrant Creek claimants (including those contained in Senate Ex.

Doc. 198, 50:1, 1888, and H.R. Ex. Doc. 238, 51:2, 1891).

Applications for enrollment must be filed with the Area Director of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Muskogee, Oklahoma, in the manner and within the time limits prescribed for that purpose. The determination of the Secretary regarding the eligibility of an applicant shall be final.

(Pub. L. 90-504, §1, Sept. 21, 1968, 82 Stat. 855.)

**§ 788b. Distribution of funds; tax exemption; equal shares**

After the deduction of attorney fees, litigation expenses, the costs of distribution, and the cost of preparing the roll pursuant to section 788a of this title, the funds, including interest, remaining to the credit of the Creek Nation as constituted August 9, 1814, which were appropriated by the Act of April 30, 1965, to pay a judgment obtained in Indian Claims Commission docket numbered 21, shall be distributed on a per capita basis to all persons whose names appear on the roll. The funds so distributed shall not be subject to Federal or State income taxes.

(Pub. L. 90-504, §2, Sept. 21, 1968, 82 Stat. 855.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Act of April 30, 1965, referred to in text, is act Apr. 30, 1965, Pub. L. 89-16, 79 Stat. 81, known as the Second Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1965. That portion of the act which appropriated the funds referred to was not classified to the Code.

DISTRIBUTION OF CERTAIN UNDISTRIBUTED JUDGMENT FUNDS AWARDED TO CREEK NATION

Pub. L. 98-390, Aug. 21, 1984, 98 Stat. 1356, provided: "That, notwithstanding Public Law 90-506 [25 U.S.C. 788e et seq.] and any other provision of law, any funds appropriated by Public Law 89-697 [Oct. 27, 1966, 80 Stat. 1057] in satisfaction of a judgment awarded the Muskogee (Creek) Nation of Oklahoma in docket numbered 276 of the Indian Claims Commission which have not been distributed on the date of enactment of this Act [Aug. 21, 1984] (including all interest and investment income accrued thereon) shall be distributed by the Secretary of the Interior to the Muskogee (Creek) Nation of Oklahoma as needed to make expenditures for any plan or program authorized by ordinance of such Nation.

"SEC. 2. (a) Notwithstanding Public Law 90-504 [25 U.S.C. 788a et seq.] and any other provision of law, any funds appropriated by Public Law 89-16 [Apr. 30, 1965, 79 Stat. 81] in satisfaction of a judgment awarded the Creek Nation of Indians in docket numbered 21 of the Indian Claims Commission which have not been distributed on the date of enactment of this Act [Aug. 21, 1984] (including all interest and investment income accrued thereon) shall be used and distributed in accordance with the provisions of this section.

"(b)(1) The Secretary of the Interior (hereinafter in this section referred to as the 'Secretary') shall allocate—

"(A) 81.6196 per centum of the funds described in subsection (a) to the Muskogee (Creek) Nation of Oklahoma, and

"(B) 18.3804 per centum of the funds described in subsection (a) to the Eastern Creeks.

"(2) The funds allocated to the Muskogee (Creek) Nation of Oklahoma under paragraph (1) shall be distributed to such Nation by the Secretary as needed to make expenditures for any plan or program authorized by ordinance of such Nation.

"(3)(A) The funds allocated to the Eastern Creeks under paragraph (1) shall be held in trust and invested by the Secretary for the benefit of the Eastern Creeks.