

SUBCHAPTER LXIV — CONFEDERATED TRIBES OF WEAS, PIANKASHAWS, PEORIAS, AND KASKASKIAS: DISTRIBUTION OF JUDGMENT FUND

**§ 1221. Membership roll**

**(a) Preparation; eligibility for enrollment**

The Secretary of the Interior shall prepare a roll of all persons who meet the following requirements: (1) they were born on or prior to and were living on July 31, 1970; (2) their names or the name of a lineal ancestor from whom they claim eligibility appears on (a) the final roll of the Peoria Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma, pursuant to the Act of August 2, 1956 (70 Stat. 937) [25 U.S.C. 821 et seq.], or (b) the January 1, 1937, census of the Peoria Tribe, or (c) the 1920 census of the Peoria Tribe, or (d) the Indian or Citizen Class lists pursuant to the Treaty of February 23, 1867 (15 Stat. 520), or (e) the Schedule of Persons or Families composing the United Tribes of Weas, Piankashaws, Peorias, and Kaskaskias, annexed to the Treaty of May 30, 1854.

**(b) Applications; finality of determination**

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 by the Secretary of the Interior. The determination of the Secretary regarding the eligibility of an applicant shall be final.

(Pub. L. 91-364, § 1, July 31, 1970, 84 Stat. 688.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Act of August 2, 1956, referred to in subsec. (a), is act Aug. 2, 1956, ch. 881, 70 Stat. 937, which was classified generally to subchapter XXXVI (§821 et seq.) of this title and was repealed by Pub. L. 95-281, §1(b)(2), May 15, 1978, 92 Stat. 246.

**§ 1222. Disposition of funds: improvement and maintenance of Peoria Indian Cemetery; distribution of balance in equal shares**

After the deduction of attorneys' fees and expenses and the administrative costs involved in the preparation of the roll and the distribution of the individual shares, the remaining funds on deposit in the United States Treasury to the credit of the Peoria Tribe on behalf of the Wea Nation that were appropriated by the Acts of May 13, 1966 (80 Stat. 141, 150), and June 19, 1968 (82 Stat. 239), in satisfaction of judgments that were obtained by the Peoria Tribe on behalf of the Wea Nation in Indian Claims Commission dockets numbered 314, amended, and 314-E, respectively, and the funds to the credit of the Peoria Tribe of Oklahoma on behalf of the Wea, Piankashaw, Peoria, and Kaskaskia Nations that were appropriated by the Act of July 22, 1969 (83 Stat. 49, 62), in satisfaction of a judgment in docket numbered 65, shall be disposed of in the following manner: The Secretary shall pay \$3,000 of such funds to the Peoria Tribe of Oklahoma for improvement and maintenance of the Peoria Indian Cemetery located approximately ten miles northeast of Miami, Oklahoma, and shall distribute the balance of such funds in equal shares to those persons whose names appear on the roll prepared pursuant to section 1221 of this title.

(Pub. L. 91-364, § 2, July 31, 1970, 84 Stat. 688.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Act of May 13, 1966, referred to in text, is act May 13, 1966, Pub. L. 89-426, 80 Stat. 141, known as the Second Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1966. Chapter XI of the act set out at 80 Stat. 150, appropriated the funds referred to and was not classified to the Code.

Act of June 19, 1968, referred to in text, is act June 19, 1968, Pub. L. 90-352, 82 Stat. 239, 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.

Act of July 22, 1969, referred to in text, is act July 22, 1969, Pub. L. 91-47, 83 Stat. 49, known as the Second Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1969. Chapter XIII of the act set out at 83 Stat. 62, appropriated the funds referred to and was not classified to the Code.

**§ 1223. Distribution of shares**

**(a) Payments to enrollees, next of kin, or legatees**

Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, the Secretary shall distribute a share payable to a living enrollee directly to such enrollee and the Secretary shall distribute a per capita share of a deceased enrollee directly to his heirs or legatees upon proof of death and inheritance satisfactory to the Secretary, whose findings upon such proof shall be final and conclusive.

**(b) Payments to minors or persons under legal disability**

A share payable to a person under twenty-one years of age or to a person under legal disability shall be paid in accordance with such procedures, including the establishment of trusts, as the Secretary determines will adequately protect the best interest of such person.

(Pub. L. 91-364, § 3, July 31, 1970, 84 Stat. 688.)

**§ 1224. Subsequent judgment funds; distribution; preparation of current membership roll**

Funds that may hereafter be deposited in the United States Treasury to the credit of the Peoria Tribe on behalf of the Wea, Kaskaskia, Piankashaw, or Peoria Nation, to pay any judgment arising out of proceedings presently pending before the Indian Claims Commission in dockets numbered 99, 289, 313, 314-A, B, C, and D, and 338 and the interest accrued thereon, after payment of attorneys' fees and expenses and all costs incident to bringing the roll current as provided is<sup>1</sup> this section and distributing the shares, shall be distributed on a per capita basis in accordance with section 1223 of this title to persons whose names appear on the roll prepared under section 1221 of this title, after the roll has been brought current to the date the funds are appropriated by adding names of persons to the roll who were born after July 31, 1970, but on or prior to and living on the date the funds are appropriated, and by deleting names of enrollees who died between July 31, 1970, and the date the funds are appropriated.

(Pub. L. 91-364, § 4, July 31, 1970, 84 Stat. 688.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

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.

<sup>1</sup> So in original.