

is held invalid, the remainder of the Act and the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby.’’

§ 742. Definitions

For the purposes of this subchapter—

(a) “Tribe” means any of the following tribes or bands of Indians located in the State of Utah: Shivwits, Kanosh, Koosharem, and Indian Peaks Bands of the Paiute Indian Tribe.

(b) “Secretary” means the Secretary of the Interior.

(c) “Lands” means real property, interests therein, or improvements thereon, and includes water rights.

(d) “Individual Indian” means any individual Indian whose name appears on the final roll prepared pursuant to section 743 of this title.

(e) “Tribal property” means any real or personal property, including water rights, or any interest in real or personal property, that belongs to the tribe and either is held by the United States in trust for the tribe or is subject to a restriction against alienation imposed by the United States.

(Sept. 1, 1954, ch. 1207, § 2, 68 Stat. 1100.)

§ 743. Membership roll; preparation and initial publication; appeal from inclusion or omission from roll; finality of determination; final publication

Each tribe shall have a period of six months from September 1, 1954, in which to prepare and submit to the Secretary a proposed roll of the members of the tribe living on September 1, 1954, which shall be published in the Federal Register. If a tribe fails to submit such roll within the time specified in this section, the Secretary shall prepare a proposed roll¹ for the tribe, which shall be published in the Federal Register. Any person claiming membership rights in the tribe or an interest in its assets, or a representative of the Secretary on behalf of any such person, may, within sixty days from the date of publication of the proposed roll, file an appeal with the Secretary contesting the inclusion or omission of the name of any person on or from such roll. The Secretary shall review such appeals and his decisions thereon shall be final and conclusive. After disposition of all such appeals by the Secretary, the roll of the tribe shall be published in the Federal Register, and such roll shall be final for the purposes of this subchapter.

(Sept. 1, 1954, ch. 1207, § 3, 68 Stat. 1100.)

§ 744. Personal property rights; restrictions

Upon publication in the Federal Register of the final roll as provided in section 743 of this title, the rights or beneficial interests in tribal property of each person whose name appears on the roll shall constitute personal property which may be inherited or bequeathed, but shall not otherwise be subject to alienation or encumbrance before the transfer of title to such tribal property as provided in section 745 of this title

¹ So in original. Probably should be “roll”.

without the approval of the Secretary. Any contract made in violation of this section shall be null and void.

(Sept. 1, 1954, ch. 1207, § 4, 68 Stat. 1100.)

§ 745. Tribal property

(a) Procedure for transfer; compensation of agents or attorneys

The Secretary shall, within six months after the publication of each final membership roll, notify the tribe of the period of time during which the tribe may study means of disposition of tribal property, real and personal, under supervision of the United States. Such period shall not be less than three months and not more than two years, including any authorized extension of the original periods. The Secretary is authorized to provide such reasonable assistance as may be requested by the tribe in the formulation of a plan for the disposition or future control and management of the property, including necessary consultations with representatives of Federal departments and agencies, officials of the State of Utah and political subdivisions thereof, and members of the tribe. During such period, the tribe may elect—

(1) to apply to the Secretary for the transfer to a corporation or other legal entity organized by the tribe in a form satisfactory to the Secretary of title to all or any part of the tribal property, and the Secretary is authorized to make such transfer: *Provided*, That the Secretary of the Interior shall not approve any form of organization that provides for the transfer of stock or an undivided share in corporate assets as compensation for services of agents or attorneys unless such transfer is based upon an appraisal of tribal assets that is satisfactory to the Secretary;

(2) to apply to the Secretary for the transfer to one or more trustees designated by the tribe of title to all or any part of the tribal property, real and personal, the title to be held by such trustee for management or liquidation purposes under terms and conditions prescribed by the tribe, and the Secretary is authorized to make such transfer if he approves the trustees and the terms and conditions of the trust;

(3) to apply to the Secretary for the sale of all or any part of the tribal property, and for the pro rata distribution among the members of the tribe of all or any part of the proceeds of sale or of any other tribal funds, and the Secretary is authorized and directed to sell such property upon such terms and conditions as he deems proper and to make such distribution among the members of the tribe after deducting, in his discretion, reasonable costs of sale and distribution; and

(4) to apply to the Secretary for a division of all or any part of the tribal land into parcels for members and for public purposes, together with a general plan for the subdivision showing the approximate size, location, and number of parcels, and the Secretary is authorized to issue patents for that purpose.

(b) Property not transferred in accordance with recognized procedure

Title to any tribal property that is not transferred in accordance with the provisions of sub-