

Heirs of Certain Kaw Half-breeds Can File Claims for Payment

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Private Law 90-318, enacted August 8, 1968 provides that heirs of certain Kaw half-breeds have 1 year from the date of the Act in which to file claims with the Secretary of the Interior to participate in receiving a proportionate intestate share of the \$3,200 awarded to each of the following named half-breed Kaw allottees:

Adel Lessert Bellmard, Clement Lessert, Josephine Convil Pappan, Julie Convil Pappan, Pelagie Convil Franceour de Aubri, Victoire Convil Pappan, Marie Convil, Laflech Convil, Louis Laventure, Elizabeth Carbonau Vertifelle, Peirre Carbonau, Louis Joncas, Basil Joncas, James Joncas, Elizabeth Datcherute, Joseph Butler, William Rodgers, Joseph Cote, Four children of Cicili Compare: First, Second, Third, Fourth, Joseph Jumes.

The Secretary of the Interior has authorized Sidney Carney, Area Director, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Anadarko, Oklahoma, to receive claims and inquiries from heirs of the above allottees.

The Act also directed the Secretary of the Interior to determine the heirs at law of the 23 Kaw half-breeds in accordance with the laws of intestate succession of the State of Kansas.

The payments to the heirs are in full settlement of the claims of the individuals for the detriment suffered by reason of the loss of certain lands in Kansas due to the failure of the

United States to protect the rights of the 23 original Kaw half-breeds who were each ceded a 1 square mile tract by the United States by treaty dated June 3, 1825, with the Kansas or Kaw Nation of Indians.

The allottees were alleged to have been driven away from this reserved land by intruding settlers.