

the news of your recent illness. It was first reported as a heart attack and we were relieved thereafter to learn that it was identified with the Asian flu.

During the last tribal meeting I promised that I would look into my records for the purpose of finding a copy of a letter of complaints, sometimes referred to as the 'petition of grievance' which the Tribe had delivered to Commissioner Nash during the latter part of 1964. Enclosed herewith is that copy. From reading it you will see specific claims and facts respecting the Guardians and Conservators Association and which I know will be of interest to you.

Following your departure from the tribal meeting, the members presented certain suggestions which they asked me to submit to you regarding the obligations and duties they feel every guardian or conservator should consider. These include the following:

(1) They should have their wards attend tribal meetings, and if the ward is too young, should on occasion attend the tribal meeting themselves so that they will acquire an understanding of tribal motivations and thinking.

(2) They should encourage their wards to take educational courses so that their comprehension respecting the extent, nature and potential of their estate would be enhanced.

(3) They should seriously consider a policy of buying additional land instead of selling.

(4) They should have their wards participate in lease negotiations.

(5) In their annual accountings, they should set forth more than monetary figures, i.e. they should provide the Court with an account respecting any progress or advancement the ward has made.

(6) They should always supply copies of all papers pertaining to the ward's estate and take the time to explain whatever questions might arise.

(7) They should diligently endeavor to work with the Tribe in formulating programs pertaining to the general welfare so that there will be a unified representation.

Thanking you again for your consideration and courtesy.

Very truly yours,

RAYMOND C. SIMPSON, *Tribal Attorney.*

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,
Palm Springs, Calif., March 27, 1967.

Subject: Estate of Shirley Ann Kitchen—PS-56 Indio P-1511.

SECURITY TITLE INSURANCE CO.,
Riverside, Calif.

(Attention Gerald A. Mercer, vice president and chief title officer).

GENTLEMEN: This is to inform you and others to whom a copy of this letter is being sent as designated below that the Bureau of Indian Affairs received a copy of the Petition for Instructions in the Estate of Kitchen, Indio P-1511, now pending in the Superior Court of the County of Riverside, State of California, on or about the date the original was filed; that the Bureau also received notice of the time and place of the hearing of the petition; that the Bureau caused contents of the petition to be examined and the land appraised by its own appraiser and as a result of such examination and appraisal, the Bureau will not appear at the time of the hearing of said petition nor object to the granting of said petition, provided that the purchase price does not exceed the sum of \$1,500.00 per acre.

Sincerely yours,

HOMER B. JENKINS, *Director.*

MARCH 29, 1967.

Re estate of Kitchen.

BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,
Palm Springs, Calif.
(Attention Homer Jenkins).

DEAR MR. JENKINS: I received a copy of your letter to the Security Title Company and I want to thank you and the Bureau, including of course, Mr. Swanson, for the attention you have given this matter. Under the circumstances there will be no sale to this estate.

In closing, I wish to thank you again for all the things you have done.
Sincerely,