

SAMPLE NOTICE TO BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

CAUSE NO. _____

IN THE INTEREST OF

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF

_____ ,

_____ COUNTY, TEXAS

(A) CHILD(REN)

_____ JUDICIAL DISTRICT

**NOTICE TO BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS:
PARENT, CUSTODIAN OR TRIBE OF CHILD
CANNOT BE LOCATED OR DETERMINED**

Bureau of Indian Affairs

[Address]

This notifies you pursuant to the Indian Child Welfare Act, 25 U.S.C. §1912 that an child custody proceeding is pending in the **[court number]** Judicial District Court, County of **[county]**, State of Texas, and the following information cannot be determined:

- The identity of the child’s parents.
- The location of the child’s parents.
- The identity of the child’s Indian tribe.

The following information regarding said child and his or her family is provided in **Attachment 1, Indian Child & Family Questionnaire**

A copy of the original petition (and any other subsequent pleadings)] is provided as **Attachment 2**.

Until the child’s status as an Indian child is verified, we are unable to properly plan for the child. Please respond within fifteen days of receipt of this Notice to confirm or deny the child’s Indian child status or to advise as to the time needed to conclude the necessary research.

CASEWORKER

Name _____
Address _____
Telephone _____
Fax # _____.

submitted, Respectfully

Petitioner Attorney for
State Bar No.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that Petitioner's Notice to Bureau of Indian Affairs: Parent, Custodian or Tribe of Child Cannot be Located or Determined was mailed to:

in accordance with the Texas Rules of Civil Procedure on this _____ day of _____, 200__.

Petitioner Attorney for
State Bar No.

NOTE: Service should be by registered mail, return receipt requested. A copy of petition or other current pleading must be attached. Including a completed copy of the Indian Child and Family Questionnaire will facilitate a tribe's confirmation of Indian child status.