

## Applications to the California Judgment Roll Authorized in 1948, compiled 1948 - 1955

**Inclusive Dates:** 1948 - 1955

**Part Of:** Record Group 75: Records of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, 1793 - 1999

**Arrangement:** Arranged by subseries, and thereunder numerically by file number or alphabetically by name of individual, as appropriate.

**Function and Use:** These files maintain information that was used to compile a revised roll of California Indians authorized by Congress in 1948 (62 Stat. 1166).

**Access:** Restricted - Possibly

**Restriction(s):** FOIA (b)(6) Personal Information  
The records may be restricted due to privacy concerns.

**Use:** Unrestricted  
**Restriction(s):**

**Specific Records:** applications

**Type(s):** case files

**General Note(s):** An Act of June 30, 1948 (62 Stat. 1166) called for a revised roll of California Indians. It provided for the enrollment of children or their descendants, then living, born since May 18, 1928 to enrollees whose names appeared on the roll of the Indians of California approved on May 17, 1933. The act also authorized the removal of names of 1933 enrollees who had since died. This 1948 roll was approved November 23, 1951.

The Act of May 24, 1950 (64 Stat. 189) authorized one per capita payment of \$150 to each person enrolled on the roll of California Indians and living on May 24, 1950 or then eligible for enrollment. It also expanded the eligibility criteria for the revised roll. The 1950 Act created a deadline date of May 23, 1951 for accepting applications. The time allotted was insufficient and the roll presented in accordance with the law was only a partial list of those eligible.

The Act approved June 8, 1954 (68 Stat. 240) authorized the completion of the roll, giving the Secretary of the Interior until June 30, 1955 to approve and promulgate the revised roll. The new law permitted adding to the roll the names of qualified persons whose applications were filed by May 23, 1951 and who were not included on the roll approved on November 23, 1951.

The Revised Roll of California Indians was approved by the Secretary of the Interior on June 30, 1955. The roll was consolidated into a single alphabetical listing of the 36,094 names of persons who had been certified to the roll as of that date.

**Finding Aid Type:** Other

**Finding Aid Note:** The series "Revised Roll of California Indians approved June, 30, 1955," part of the records of the Northern California Indian Agency, serves as a finding aid to this series. The roll can be used as an initial reference to identify application files.

This series consists of several subseries of applications: (1) accepted applications under the act of June 30, 1948; (2) accepted applications under the act of May 24, 1950; (3) rejected applications of individuals who had also been rejected from the 1933 roll; (4) reapplications of 1933 enrollees; (5) applicants rejected under the acts of 1948 and 1950; (6) deceased enrollees removed from the final roll; (7) enrollees who could not be located and who were removed from the final roll; (8) duplicate enrollees removed from the final roll. A typical file includes applications (submitted on printed forms), correspondence, affidavits regarding birth of children, and, occasionally, copies of birth registration records.

In addition to the application files, there are a few supplemental correspondence files relating to actions taken in individual cases, and a small number of administrative files relating to the processing of applications and preparation of the roll.