



INTERIOR BOARD OF INDIAN APPEALS

Leona Meyer Manning v. Midwest Regional Director, Bureau of Indian Affairs

36 IBIA 313 (09/24/2001)



# United States Department of the Interior

OFFICE OF HEARINGS AND APPEALS  
INTERIOR BOARD OF INDIAN APPEALS  
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ARLINGTON, VA 22203

LEONA MEYER MANNING,  
Appellant

v.

MIDWEST REGIONAL DIRECTOR,  
BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,  
Appellee

: Order Docketing and Dismissing  
: Appeal  
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: Docket No. IBIA 01-180-A  
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: September 24, 2001

On September 17, 2001, the Board of Indian Appeals received a notice of appeal from Leona Meyer Manning (Appellant), who seeks review of an August 2, 2001, decision of the Midwest Regional Director, Bureau of Indian Affairs, concerning Appellant's application for enrollment in the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe. The Regional Director's decision, which was issued under 25 C.F.R. § 62.10(a), affirmed a denial of Appellant's enrollment application by the Minnesota Chippewa Tribal Executive Committee.

The Regional Director stated that his decision was final for the Department of the Interior. That statement was in accordance with 25 C.F.R. § 62.10(a), which provides: "The [Regional] Director shall make a decision on the appeal which shall be final for the Department and which shall so state in the decision."

Because the Regional Director's decision was final for the Department of the Interior, the Board lacks jurisdiction over this appeal.

Therefore, pursuant to the authority delegated to the Board of Indian Appeals by the Secretary of the Interior, 43 C.F.R. § 4.1, this appeal is docketed but is dismissed for lack of jurisdiction.

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Anita Vogt  
Administrative Judge

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Kathryn A. Lynn  
Chief Administrative Judge