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become effective after January 1, 2000 in taking the 2000 Decennial Census; the Bureau of the Census will enumerate the residents of any area that are transferred to another jurisdiction after that date and report them for the Census 2000 as residents of the area in which they resided on January 1, 2000. The Bureau of the Census will not recognize in the data tabulations prepared for the 2000 census changes occurring on or before January 1, 2000, but not submitted officially to the Bureau of the Census until after March 1, 2000 except as necessary to conduct decennial census operations.

PART 80—FURNISHING PERSONAL CENSUS DATA FROM CENSUS OF POPULATION SCHEDULES

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§ 80.1 General requirements.

(a) Data from records of decennial census of population questionnaires pertaining to an individual will be released only in accordance with these rules.

(b) Census information contains only the responses recorded by the Census enumerator; no changes of any of these entries have been or can be made.

(c) Requests for information from decennial census of population records (herein “Census information”) should be made on Form BC-600, which is available from offices of the Bureau of the Census at Suitland, Maryland 20746 and Pittsburg, Kansas 66762, all county courthouses, Social Security field offices, and Immigration and Naturalization Service offices. A letter request—without Form BC-600—will be accepted only if it contains the information necessary to complete a Form BC-600. No application will be processed without payment of the required fee as set forth in 15 CFR 50.5.

(d) The Bureau may require verification of the identity of the applicant requesting Census information and it may require the applicant to submit the following notarized statement:

I, ____________________ (Printed name), do hereby certify that I am the individual to whom the requested record pertains or that I am within the class of persons authorized to act on his behalf in accordance with 15 CFR, Part 80.

(Signature) ____________

(Date) ____________

In the County of ____________________
State of ____________________
On this ______ day of ______, 19__,
__________________________ (Name of individual) who is personally known to me, did appear before me and sign the above certificate.

(Signature) ____________

(Date) ____________

(S) My commission expires ____________

(e) Except as otherwise provided, Census information will be provided only to the individual to whom the record pertains. It will include the names of the subject and the head of the household, the relationship of the subject to the head of the household, and the subject's age and birthplace.

(f) Similar Census information pertaining to other members of a household will be furnished only upon written authorization of the individual whose record is requested, except as provided in §80.3.

(g) Census information may be provided to others only upon signed request by an individual entitled to receive the information which indicates the person and address to which the information is to be sent.

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who has not reached age 18. The request must be signed by one of the parents.

(c) A legal guardian may obtain Census information relating to a ward by submitting a certified copy of the order of guardianship appointment.

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§ 80.3 Rules applicable to deceased persons and estates.

(a) Census information relating to a deceased person may be released only to a parent, child, grandchild, brother, sister, spouse, insurance beneficiary, or the executor or administrator of a deceased person's estate. The request must be signed by a person entitled to receive the information as provided herein, state the relationship of the applicant to the deceased, and include a certified copy of the death certificate or other adequate proof of death. The request of an executor or administrator must be accompanied by a certified copy of the court order of appointment.

(b) Except for a spouse, a person related to the deceased person through marriage, such as an in-law relationship, is not eligible to request Census information on the deceased, whether or not the applicant was a member of the household of the deceased.

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§ 80.4 Signature of persons unable to sign their name.

A person requesting Census information who is unable to sign his or her name shall make an “X” mark where signature is required, and the mark must be witnessed by two persons who know the applicant. They must also sign the application certifying the applicant's identity. In the case of such persons who are unable to make an “X” mark, Census information can be released upon receipt of a physician's sworn statement verifying the disability and the written request of a parent, brother, sister, child or a spouse.

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§ 80.5 Detrimental use of information.

In no case shall information furnished under the authority of this section be used to the detriment of the persons to whom such information relates.

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§ 80.6 False statements.

Any false statement or forgery on the application or supporting papers required to obtain Census information is punishable by a fine and/or imprisonment pursuant to section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code.

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