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information. The chief tribal enrollment officer of the BIA is authorized to disclose enrollment information relating to an adopted Indian child where the biological parents have by affidavit requested anonymity. In such cases, the chief tribal enrollment officer shall certify the child's tribe, and, where the information warrants, that the child's parentage and other circumstances entitle the child to enrollment consideration under the criteria established by the tribe.

Subpart H—Assistance to State Courts

§ 23.81 Assistance in identifying witnesses.

Upon the request of a party in an involuntary Indian child custody proceeding or of a court, the Secretary or his/her designee shall assist in identifying qualified expert witnesses. Such requests for assistance shall be sent to the Area Director designated in § 23.11(c). The BIA is not obligated to pay for the services of such expert witnesses.

§ 23.82 Assistance in identifying language interpreters.

Upon the request of a party in an Indian child custody proceeding or of a court, the Secretary or his/her designee shall assist in identifying language interpreters. Such requests for assistance should be sent to the Area Director designated in § 23.11(c). The BIA is not obligated to pay for the services of such language interpreters.

§ 23.83 Assistance in locating biological parents of Indian child after termination of adoption.

Upon the request of a child placement agency, the court or an Indian tribe, the Secretary or his/her designee shall assist in locating the biological parents or prior Indian custodians of an adopted Indian child whose adoption has been terminated pursuant to 25 U.S.C. 1914. Such requests for assistance should be sent to the Area Director designated in § 23.11(c).

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Subpart A—Definitions, Scope of the Employment Assistance Program and Information Collection

§ 26.1 Definitions.

- (a) *Agency office* means the current organization unit of the Bureau which provides direct services to the governing body or bodies and members of one or more specified Indian tribes.
- (b) *Appeal* means a written request for correction of an action or decision claimed to violate a person's legal rights or privileges as provided in part 2 of this chapter.
- (c) *Applicant* means an individual applying under this part.
- (d) *Application* means the process through which a request is made for assistance or services.
- (e) *Area Director* means the Bureau official in charge of an Area Office.
- (f) *Contract office* means the office established by a tribe or tribes who have a contract to administer the Employment Assistance Program.
- (g) *Indian* means any person of Indian or Alaska native descent who is an enrolled member of any of those tribes listed or eligible to be listed in the FEDERAL REGISTER pursuant to 25 CFR