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COURT: COURT OF QUEEN'S BENCH OF ALBERTA
JUDICIAL CENTRE: EDMONTON
IN THE MATTER OF THE TRUSTEE ACT, RSA 2000, c T-8, AS AMENDED



IN THE MATTER OF THE SAWRIDGE BAND INTER VIVOS SETTLEMENT CREATED BY CHIEF WALTER PATRICK TWINN, OF THE SAWRIDGE INDIAN BAND, NO 19 now known as SAWRIDGE FIRST NATION ON APRIL 15, 1985 (the "1985 Sawridge Trust")

APPLICANTS: ROLAND TWINN, CATHERINE TWINN, WALTER FELIX TWIN, BERTHA L'HIRONDELLE and CLARA MIDBO, as Trustees for the 1985 Sawridge Trust (the "Sawridge Trustees")

DOCUMENT ORDER

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December 17, 2015

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Edmonton, Alberta

NAME OF JUSTICE WHO MADE THIS ORDER: Honourable Justice D.R.G. Thomas

UPON THE APPLICATION of the Office of the Public Guardian and Trustee of Alberta ("Public Trustee"), and Upon hearing from the counsel for: Sawridge First Nation, the Public Trustee, Sawridge Trustees and Catherine Twinn; and Upon the decision of The Honourable Mr. Justice Dennis R. Thomas dated December 17, 2015 (2015 ABQB 799);

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. The Public Trustee's application for production of records/information from the Sawridge First Nation ("SFN") is denied.
2. Document production by SFN shall only be compelled pursuant to *Rule 5.13(1)* of the *Alberta Rules of Court*, Alta Reg 124/2010.
3. The Public Trustee shall not conduct an open-ended inquiry into the membership of the SFN and the historic disputes that relate to that subject.
4. The Public Trustee shall not conduct a general inquiry into potential conflicts of interest between SFN, its administration and the Sawridge Trustees.
5. The Public Trustee shall be limited to four tasks:
 - (a) Representing the interests of minor beneficiaries and potential minor beneficiaries so that they receive fair treatment (either direct or indirect) in the distribution of the assets of the 1985 Sawridge Trust; and
 - (b) Examining on behalf of the minor beneficiaries the manner in which the property was placed/settled in the Trust; and
 - (c) Identifying potential but not yet identified minors who are children of SFN members or membership candidates as these are potentially minor beneficiaries of the 1985 Sawridge Trust; and
 - (d) Supervising the distribution process itself.

6. The Public Trustee and the Sawridge Trustees are to immediately proceed to complete the first three tasks outlined in paragraph 5 above.
7. The Sawridge Trustees will submit a distribution arrangement by January 29, 2016.
8. The Public Trustee shall have until March 15, 2016 to prepare and serve an application, pursuant to *Rule 5.13(1)*, on SFN identifying specific documents it believes are relevant and material to test the fairness of the proposed distribution arrangement to minors who are children of beneficiaries or potential beneficiaries.
9. If no *Rule 5.13(1)* application is made in relation to the proposed distribution scheme, submissions on the distribution proposal shall be made by the Public Trustee and Sawridge Trustees at a case management meeting held before April 30, 2016.
10. The Public Trustee shall have until January 29, 2016 to prepare and serve an application, pursuant to *Rule 5.13(1)*, on SFN identifying specific documents for production which it believes are relevant and material to the Issue of the assets settled in the 1985 Sawridge Trust.
11. If necessary, a case management meeting will be held before April 30, 2016 to decide any disputes concerning any *Rule 5.13(1)* application by the Public Trustee.
12. SFN shall provide the following to the Public Trustee by January 29, 2016:
 - (a) the names of individuals who have:
 - (i) made applications to join the SFN which are pending; and
 - (ii) had applications to join the SFN rejected and are subject to challenge;
 - (b) the contact information for those individuals where available.
13. The Public Trustee is instructed that if it requires any additional documents from the SFN to assist it in identifying the current and possible members of category 2, (Minors who are children of members of the SFN), the Public Trustee shall file a *Rule 5.13(1)* application by January 29th, 2016.
14. The SFN and the Sawridge Trustees shall have until March 15, 2016 to make written submissions in response to any application by the Public Trustee described in paragraph 13 above
15. The Public Trustee shall not engage in collateral attacks on membership processes of the SFN. The Sawridge Trustees shall not engage in collateral attacks on SFN's membership processes.
16. The decision on costs in relation to the Public Trustee's production application is reserved until the Court evaluates any *Rule 5.13(1)* applications brought by the Public Trustee

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Honourable Justice D.R.G. Thomas
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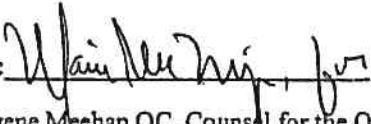
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