

State and city	Grant	Applicant
Mississippi: Moorhead	650,000	Mississippi Delta Community College.
North Carolina: Greensboro	300,000	University of North Carolina at Greensboro.
New Mexico:		
Albuquerque	400,000	Youthbuild New Mexico Coalition, Inc.
Taos	400,000	Taos County.
New York:		
Albany	650,000	City of Albany.
Bronx	399,964	South Bronx Overall Economic Development Corp.
Bronx	400,000	Corporation for Youth Energy Corps. Inc.
Bronx	360,000	Banana Kelly Community Improvement Assoc.
Brooklyn	299,851	Urban Strategies, Inc.
New York	400,000	YMCA of Greater New York.
New York	400,000	Episcopal Social Services, Inc.
New York	650,000	Youth Action Programs & Homes, Inc.
Rochester	350,000	The Urban League of Rochester, N.Y. Inc.
Troy	650,000	Commission on Economic Opportunity for Renss. County.
Utica	400,000	Utica Community Action, Inc.
Ohio:		
Dayton	400,000	Improved Solutions for Urban Systems.
McArthur	300,000	Vinton Community Commissioners.
Oklahoma:		
Oklahoma City	400,000	City of Oklahoma City.
Tulsa	650,000	Housing Authority of the City of Tulsa.
Oregon:		
Corvallis	395,724	Community Services Consortium.
Portland	650,000	City of Portland, Oregon.
Pennsylvania:		
Greensburg	650,000	Private Industry Council of Westmoreland/Fayette, Inc.
Philadelphia	399,085	Impact Services Corporation.
Philadelphia	650,000	Phila. Youth for Change Charter School.
Pittsburgh	650,000	Youthbuild Pittsburgh, Inc.
York	650,000	Crispus Attucks Community Development Corp.
Rhode Island: Providence	400,000	Providence Plan.
Tennessee: Memphis	399,945	Tennessee Technology Center at Memphis.
Texas:		
Brownsville	400,000	Community Development Corp. of Brownsville.
Crosbyton	300,000	Caprock Community Action Association, Inc.
Harlingen	400,000	Harlingen Community Development Corporation.
Houston	650,000	Houston Community College System.
New Waverly	398,522	Gulf Coast Trades Center.
San Antonio	400,000	George Gervin Youth Center, Inc.
Virginia: Waynesboro	525,417	Waynesboro Redevelopment and Housing Authority.
Vermont: Burlington	400,000	King Street Youth Center
Washington: Tacoma	300,000	Tacoma-Pierce County Employment & Training Consortium.
West Virginia:		
Charleston	590,000	Multi-County Community Action Against Poverty, Inc.
Kincaid	650,000	Southern Appalachian Labor School.
Morgantown	400,000	Human Resource Development & Employment, Inc.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT**[Docket No. FR-4572-D-01]****Revocation and Redelelegation of Authority Concerning the Federal Tort Claims Act and the Military Personnel and Civilian Employees' Act of 1964****AGENCY:** Office of the General Counsel, HUD.**ACTION:** Notice of revocation and redelegation of authority.**SUMMARY:** In this Notice, the General Counsel revokes and redelegates authority to dispose of claims arising

under the Federal Tort Claims Act and the Military Personnel and Civilian Employees' Claims Act.

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 4, 2000.**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Miniard Culpepper, Assistant General Counsel for New England, Department of Housing and Urban Development, Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr. Federal Building, 10 Causeway Street, Room 378, Boston, MA 02222, phone: 617-565-5126. (This is not a toll-free number.) Hearing or speech-impaired individuals may access this number via TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Information Relay Service at 1-800-877-8339.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: HUD is implementing a major agency-wide improvement effort. The details of this reform effort are set forth in the HUD

2020 Management Reform Plan, which was published in the **Federal Register** on August 12, 1997 (62 FR 43204). The reforms are directed toward: (1) Empowering people and communities to improve themselves; and (2) restoring the public trust in the Department's programs and operations. As part of the HUD 2020 Management Reform Plan, there has been a reorganization of the Office of General Counsel and HUD's Field structure in order to provide the best service possible to HUD program and administrative offices, members of the public, and program beneficiaries relying on HUD's legal services.

Previously, by Notice of Redelelegation of Authority published in the **Federal Register** on October 20, 1994 at 59 FR 52986, the General Counsel had

re delegated to the Associate General Counsel for Human Resources Law and to the Field Assistant General Counsel, the authority to handle claims relating to the Federal Tort Claims Act and the Military Personnel and Civilian Employees' Claims Act. This Notice revokes that portion of 59 FR 52986 that had re delegated authority to the Field Assistant General Counsel.

Under the HUD 2020 Management Reform Plan, all claims relating to the Federal Tort Claims Act and the Military Personnel and Civilian Employees' Claims Act will be the responsibility of HUD's Federal Tort Claims Center. This Notice re delegates to the Assistant General Counsel for New England, within HUD's Federal Tort Claims Center, the authority to adjust, determine, compromise and settle claims under the Federal Tort Claims Act, 28 U.S.C. 2871, and the Military Personnel and Civilian Employees' Claims Act of 1964, 31 U.S.C. 3721.

Accordingly, the General Counsel revokes and re delegates authority as follows:

Section A. Authority Revoked

This Notice revokes Section A.2. of the Notice of Redelegation of Authority published in the **Federal Register** on October 20, 1994 at 59 FR 52986, which re delegated authority to consider, ascertain, adjust, determine, compromise, allow, deny or otherwise dispose of claims under the Federal Tort Claims Act and the Military Personnel and Civilian Employees Claims Act of 1964, from the General Counsel to the Field Assistant General Counsel.

Section B. Authority Redelegated

The General counsel re delegates to the Assistant General Counsel for New England, within HUD's Federal Tort Claims Center, the power and authority to consider, ascertain, adjust, determine, compromise, allow, deny or otherwise dispose of claims under the Federal Tort Claims Act and the Military Personnel and Civilian Employees' Claims Act of 1964.

Section C. Authority to Further Redelegate

The authority re delegated under Section B., above, may not be further re delegated.

Authority: Section 7(d), Department of Housing and Urban Development Act, 42 U.S.C. 3535(d); 24 CFR 17.7 and 17.47.

Dated: January 4, 2000.

Gail Laster,

General Counsel, Department of Housing and Urban Development.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Notice of Receipt of Applications for Permit

The following applicants have applied for a permit to conduct certain activities with endangered species. This notice is provided pursuant to Section 10(c) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, *as amended* (16 U.S.C. 1531, *et seq.*):

Applicant: Fort Worth Zoological Park, Fort Worth Texas PRT-021647.

The applicant requests a permit to import 4.1 captive born cheetah (*Acinonyx jubatas*) from the Hoedspruit Research And Breeding Facility, Republic of South Africa, for public display and breeding purposes to enhance the survival of the species.

Applicant: Kay Rosaire-Mowrey, Sarasota, FL, PRT-696911.

The applicant requests a permit to export, re-export and re-import tigers (*Panthera tigris*), and progeny of the animals currently held by the applicant and any animals acquired in the United States by the applicant to/from worldwide locations to enhance the survival of the species through conservation education. This notification covers activities conducted by the applicant over a three-year period.

Applicant: Hawthorn Corporation, Grayslake, IL, PRT-823832.

The applicant requests a permit to re-export and re-import captive-born Bengal tigers (*Panthera tigris tigris*), and progeny of the animals currently held by the applicant and any animals acquired in the United States by the applicant to/from worldwide locations to enhance the survival of the species through conservation education. This notification covers activities conducted by the applicant over a three year period.

Applicant: Robert C. Webster, Linville, NC, PRT-21989.

The applicant requests a permit to import the sport-hunted trophy of one male bontebok (*Damaliscus pygargus dorcas*). Culled from a captive herd maintained under the management program of the Republic of South Africa, for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species.

Applicant: Daniel Anderson, University of California, Davis, CA, PRT-766567.

The applicant requests renewal of his permit to import biological samples including feathers, eggs, bones, and blood of the California brown pelican (*Pelecanus occidentalis*) for contaminant analysis in the Gulf of California for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the Species. This notification covers activities conducted by the applicant for a period of five years.

Applicant: Gladys Porter Zoo, Brownsville, TX, PRT-018992.

The applicant requests a permit to export one male and two female Philippine crocodile (*Crocodylus mindorensis*) to the Crocodile Farming Institute, Puerto Princesa, Philippines, for the purpose of a cooperative global effort to maintain genetic diversity in the captive population.

Written data or comments should be submitted to the Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Office of Management Authority, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 700, Arlington, Virginia 22203 and must be received by the Director within 30 days of the date of this publication.

Documents and other information submitted with the application are available for review, *subject to the requirements of the Privacy Act and Freedom of Information Act*, by any party who submits a written request for a copy of such documents to the above address within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice.

Dated: January 24, 2000.

Kristen Nelson,

Chief, Branch of Permits, Office of Management Authority.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Availability of an Environmental Assessment and Receipt of an Application for an Endangered Species Act Permit To Allow Incidental Take of the Coastal California Gnatcatcher by Evergreen Nursery, Oceanside, California

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: Evergreen Nursery has applied for an incidental take permit from the Fish and Wildlife Service pursuant to section 10(a)(1)(B) of the