

**Indian Child Welfare Court Monitor
Quarterly Report
October 1, 2010-December 31, 2010**

There were 35 hearings monitored this quarter. Of the cases monitored:

- Four children remained in the home under protective supervision.
- 30 children were ordered into or remained in out of home placement.
- The court terminated its jurisdiction this quarter on one case.
- Two cases were determined to have non-ICWA status.

Number of Children
34

Number of Children in Preservation i.e., with parent(s)	Number of Children in Reunification i.e., Out-of-Home
4	30

Placements of Children in Out of Home	
With Relatives	Foster Care
7	23

The Children in Need of Protection or Services (CHIPS) hearings were as follows:

CHIPS PROCEEDINGS	NUMBER OF HEARINGS	COURT RULING/SETTLEMENT
EPC	5	Mother objected to EPC and requested an Evidentiary Hearing
Admit/Deny Hearing	7	CHIPS adjudication made
Pretrial	-	Mother makes CHIPS admissions
Trial	-	-
Dispositional Review	13	
Motion	-	-

The permanency hearings were as follows:

PERMANENCY PROCEEDINGS	NUMBER OF HEARINGS	COURT RULING/SETTLEMENT
EPC	-	-
Admit/Deny Hearing	7	Parents made admissions
Pretrial	1	No settlement, trial dates scheduled
Trial	-	-
Dispositional Review	5	
Motion Hearing	1	Motion granted to transfer case to Tribal Court
Post TPR Review	1	Review every 90 days to note progress towards adoption

Parties and others in attendance were as follows:

- Mothers were present at 25 hearings.
- Fathers were present at three hearings.
- Guardians ad Litem were present at 35 hearings.

The tribes that were involved in court proceedings this quarter were:

TRIBE	NUMBER OF HEARINGS	TRIBE PRESENT
White Earth Band of Ojibwe	3	3
Red Lake Band of Ojibwe	3	1
Lac du Flambeau	3	1
Standing Rock Sioux Nation	3	3
Sisseton Wahpeton	2	2
Cheyenne River	5	5
Rosebud Sioux Nation	5	5
Mescalero Apache	3	0
Spirit Lake	2	0
HoChunk	2	0
Winnebago of Nebraska	1	1

Of Note:

On December 7, 2010 before Judge Alshouse, the Guardian ad Litem made an objection to the request for an Active Efforts finding for Permanency. Judge Alshouse reserved the Active Efforts finding.

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