25 USCS 3207. Character Investigation.

1) By Secretary of the Interior and Secretary of Health and Human Services. The Secretary of the Interior and Secretary of Health and Human Services shall:

   a) Compile a list of all authorized positions within their respective departments the duties and responsibilities of which involve regular contact with, or control over Indian children.

   b) Conduct an investigation of the character of each individual who is employed, or is being considered for employment, by the respective Secretary in a position listed pursuant to paragraph (1) and

   c) prescribe by regulations minimum standards of character that each of such individuals must meet to be appointed to such positions.

2) Criminal records. The minimum standards of character that are to be prescribed under this section shall ensure that none of the individuals appointed to positions described in subsection (a) have been found guilty of, or entered a plea of nolo contendere or guilty to, any offense under Federal, State, or Tribal law involving crimes of violence, sexual assault, molestation, exploitation, contact of prostitution, or crimes against persons.

3) Investigations by Indian tribes and tribal organizations. Each Indian tribe or tribal organization that receives funds under the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act or the Tribally Controlled Schools Act of 1938 [25 USCS Section 2501 et seq.] shall

   a) conduct an investigation of the character of each individual who is employed, or is being considered for employment, by such tribe or tribal organization in a position that involves regular contact with, or control over, Indian children, and

   b) employ individuals in those positions only if the individuals meet standards of character, no less stringent that those prescribed under subsection (a), as the Indian tribe organization shall establish.

I have read and understand the foregoing statute ______________(initial). ______________(date).