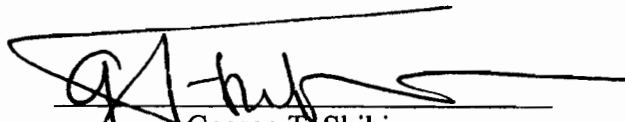


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AS-IA	Assistant Secretary - Indian Affairs
BAR	Branch of Acknowledgment and Research
BIA	Bureau of Indian Affairs
CFR	<i>Code of Federal Regulations</i>
DOI	Department of the Interior
FAIR	Federal Acknowledgment Information Resource
FD	Final Determination
FTM	Family Tree Maker TM genealogy software
FR	<i>Federal Register</i>
IBIA	Interior Board of Indian Appeals
IRA	Indian Reorganization Act
OFA	Office of Federal Acknowledgment, formerly BAR
PF	Proposed Finding
LS	Little Shell Petitioner
LSCG	Little Shell Community Group
RFD	Reconsidered Final Determination
RRS	Red River Settlements
TA	Technical Assistance
TMG	The Master Genealogist, the Petitioner's Genealogical Database
TR	Technical Report