INFR Membership Supplemental Eligibility Requirement

**B1.2.3 Non-Status/Non-Enrolled Applicants for INFR Contestant Membership.** Where an applicant is unable to produce an Indian Status Card or an Enrollment Card and who claims to be Native American must file with the INFR office a Statutory Declaration sworn before a Notary (Attorney/Lawyer) complete with supporting legal documentation that provides proof that at least one ancestor was or is a Registered Status Indian or Enrolled in an Indian Tribe going back a maximum **four (4) -generations**. An applicant who cannot prove that a descendent is within this **four (4)-generation** standard as described herein is not eligible for a Contestant membership. A Declaration must indicate Tribe affiliation(s), location of Tribe affiliation, name(s) of Native ancestor(s) and in particular the name of the last person Registered as an Indian or Enrolled in a U.S. Tribe. It must also include legal documents. Where an applicant produces a *Metis* card, a Statutory Declaration must still be filed as outlined herein.

**NOTE:** Falsifying information sworn in a Statutory Declaration can be the subject of court proceedings.

**B1.2.3.1** For greater certainty, **four (4)generations** means at least one of the generations preceding the applicant up to the 4th generation. With the 1st generation being the applicant, the 4th generation group would be one of the applicant’s great-grandparents. Websites such as *Ancestry* or any similar type of website that purport to show descendency or ancestry are not accepted as proof of Native American Indian descendancy or lineage.

**B1.2.4** In the event a question continues to exist as to the Native American Indian status or heritage of an applicant, the INFR reserves the right to refuse membership.