

§ 303.69 Requests by agents or attorneys of the United States for information from the Federal Parent Locator Service (PLS).

(a) Agents or attorneys of the United States may request information directly from the Federal PLS in connection with a parental kidnapping or child custody case. (See §303.15(a) of this part for a definition of persons authorized to request the information.)

(b) All requests under this section shall be made in the manner and form prescribed by the Office.

(c) All requests under this section shall contain the information specified in §303.70(c) of this part.

(d) All requests under this section shall be accompanied by a statement, signed by the agent or attorney of the United States, attesting to the following:

(1) The request is being made solely to locate an individual in connection with a parental kidnapping or child custody case.

(2) Any information obtained through the Federal PLS shall be treated as confidential, shall be used solely for the purpose for which it was obtained and shall be safeguarded.

(e) A fee may be charged to cover the costs of processing requests for information. A separate fee may be charged to cover costs of searching for a social security number before processing a request for location information.

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§ 303.70 Requests by the State Parent Locator Service (SPLS) for information from the Federal Parent Locator Service (FPLS).

(a) Only the central State PLS office, and any additional IV-D offices designated under §302.35(b), may submit requests for information to the Federal PLS.

(b) All requests shall be made in the manner and form prescribed by the Office.

(c) All requests shall contain the following information:

(1) The parent's name;

(2) The parent's social security number (SSN). If the SSN is unknown, the

IV-D agency must make every reasonable effort to ascertain the individual's SSN before submitting the request to the Federal PLS;

(3) Whether the individual is or has been a member of the armed services, if known;

(4) Whether the individual is receiving, or has received, any Federal compensation or benefits, if known; and

(5) Any other information prescribed by the Office.

(d) All requests shall be accompanied by a statement, signed by the director of the IV-D agency or his or her designee, attesting to the following:

(1) The request is being made to obtain information or to facilitate the discovery of any individual in accordance with section 453(a)(2) of the Act for the purpose of establishing parentage or establishing, setting the amount of, modifying, or enforcing child support obligations, or for determining who has or may have parental rights with respect to a child, or in accordance with section 453(a)(3) of the Act for enforcing a State law with respect to the unlawful taking or restraint of a child, or for making or enforcing a child custody or visitation determination as defined in section 463(d)(1) of the Act.

(2) Any information obtained through the Federal PLS shall be treated as confidential and shall be safeguarded under the requirements of sections 453(b), 453(l), 454(8), 454(17), 454(26), and 463(c) of the Act and instructions issued by the Office.

(e)(1) The IV-D agency shall pay the fees required under:

(i) Section 453(e)(2) of the Act;

(ii) Section 454(17) of the Act in parental kidnapping and child custody or visitation cases;

(iii) Section 453(k) of the Act.

(2)(i) The IV-D agency may charge an individual requesting information, or pay without charging the individual, the fee required under sections 453(e)(2), 453(k)(3) or 454(17) of the Act except that the IV-D agency shall charge an individual specified in section 453(c)(3) of the Act the fee required under section 453(e)(2) of the Act.

(ii) The State may recover the fee required under section 453(e)(2) of the Act from the noncustodial parent who owes