

## **Plaintiffs in PEER Little Bighorn Lawsuit**

### **Robert Utley, retired Chief Historian and Assistant Director of the National Park Service, Texas**

Robert Utley served as a seasonal historian and park ranger at Little Bighorn from 1947-1952. He served as Chief Historian and Assistant Director of the National Park Service from 1964-1976 and was the Deputy Executive Director of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation from 1977-1980. Mr. Utley authored two versions of the Battlefield's official historic handbook and is the author of a biography of General Custer and several other books containing chapters about the Battle of the Little Bighorn.

### **Custer Battlefield Historical & Museum Association (CBHMA), President Dennis Farioli, Massachusetts**

Custer Battlefield Historical and Museum Association founded in 1953 by a group of people intimately concerned with the interpretation, preservation, and memory of the history surrounding the Little Bighorn. The Association has over 1400 members worldwide including some of the Plaintiffs in this case and other experts on the Little Bighorn.

### **Jim Court, former Superintendent of Little Bighorn Battlefield National Monument, Montana**

Jim Court served as Superintendent of Little Bighorn from 1978-1986 where he helped develop the park's General Management Plan. He has served as treasurer for the Custer Battlefield Preservation Committee from 1982 to the present and is a board member of the Custer Battlefield Historical and Museum Association. Mr. Court has conducted tours of the battlefield from 1986 until the present.

### **Neil Mangum, former Superintendent and historian of Little Bighorn Battlefield National Monument, Texas**

Neil Mangum served as a historian at Little Bighorn from 1979 to 1988. He served as the Park's Superintendent from 1998 to 2002. During his time as Superintendent, Mr. Mangum was directly involved in fruitless efforts to implement the park's General Management Plan by relocating the Visitor Center away from the historic battlefield.

### **Bill Harris, former Superintendent of Little Big Horn Battlefield National Monument and retired National Park Service Chief of the Division of Cultural Resources in the Southeast Regional Office, North Carolina**

Bill Harris served as Superintendent of Little Big Horn Battlefield National Monument from 1970-1972 and served as Superintendent of four other units of the National Park System throughout his career. While at Little Bighorn Mr. Harris hosted the first visit of the General Management Plan team whose principal issue of concern at that time was the relocation of the Visitor Center away from the prime historic site. Upon his retirement from the National Park Service Mr. Harris served as the Mayor of Kitty Hawk, NC for four years.

**Jerome A. Greene, retired National Park Service Research Historian, Colorado**

Jerome A. Greene was employed as a seasonal Research Historian at Little Bighorn in 1968, 1970, and 1971 before being hired as a full-time Research Historian with the National Park Service from 1973-2007. In his capacity as Research Historian, Mr. Greene authored *Stricken Field: The Little Bighorn since 1876*, an administrative history of the Battlefield.

**Edwin Bearss, retired National Park Service Chief Historian, Park Historian, Regional Research Historian, Staff Historian, and Special Assistant for Military Affairs to the NPS Director, Virginia**

Edwin Bearss served as Chief Historian of the National Park Service 1981-1994 where he was responsible for policy, review of compliance documents and liaison with Congress. In the course of these duties, he reviewed planning documents bearing on the Little Bighorn National Battlefield and gave speeches at the Battlefield. Mr. Bearss grew up in the county where Little Bighorn is located and has had a lifelong interest in the history of the area.

**Paul A. Hutton, Distinguished Professor of History at the University of New Mexico, and member of the National Park Service Selection Committee and jury that made final decision on the Indian Memorial at Little Bighorn, New Mexico**

Paul A. Hutton is the Executive Director of Western Writers of America and authored *Phil Sheridan's Army*, which includes chapters on Custer and the Little Bighorn. He served as Executive Director of the Western History Association for 18 years and in the 1990s, during another controversy over the Battlefield, Mr. Hutton led an investigative committee of members from the Organization of American Historians which produced a report used to address interpretive programs at the Little Bighorn.

**Ron Nichols, retired engineer and former president of the Custer Battlefield Historic and Museum Association, California**

Ron Nichols has been a member of the Custer Battlefield Historic and Museum Association since 1976 and currently serves on the Board of Directors and as the Association's Treasurer.

**Michael Koury, owner Old Army Press, member and former Chairman of the Board, Little Bighorn Associates, member Custer Battlefield Historical and Museum Association since 1967, Colorado**

As owner of the Old Army Press, Mr. Koury has published over 50 books on General Custer including *Diaries of the Little Big Horn* and *Custer Centennial Observance*, which he authored himself. He is a long time member of two associations dedicated to preserving the historical and cultural significance of the Little Bighorn. Mr. Koury has visited the Little Bighorn Battlefield every year on the anniversary of Custer's Last Stand since 1964.

**Douglas D. Scott, Phd, RPA, retired National Park Service archaeologist, Nebraska**  
Douglas D. Scott is a Registered Professional Archaeologist who worked for the National Park Service for 30 years and acted as resource advisor and director of the Little Bighorn Battlefield archeological projects from 1984 to 2005. He received the Department of the Interior's Distinguished Service Award for career accomplishments including his innovative approaches to artifact recovery, analysis, and interpretation pioneered at Little Bighorn Battlefield. He has published a number of articles on the archeological investigations at the park and has authored four books on the subject; *Archaeological Insight to the Custer Battle*, *Archaeological Perspectives on the Battle of the Little Bighorn*, *They Died with Custer: Soldiers Bones from the Battle of the Little Bighorn*, and *Custer's Heroes: The Medal of Honor at the Little Bighorn*.

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