

[REDACTED]

Sept. 28, 2011

Dear Mrs. Cobell,

My name is [REDACTED] I am the  
daughter of [REDACTED] and grand-daughter of  
[REDACTED] and [REDACTED] I come

from a very large family. I am 15 years old  
and a sophomore at Browning High School.

I love reading and writing. Being with friends  
and family is what makes my day a good  
day.

In class we've been learning about you and  
what you did. We read the article "An  
Unlikely Warrior: Only Once Did She Flinch,"  
and we got it from the magazine, Montana  
Quarterly. We learned about your fight  
against the government. Your trip to Washington  
D.C. was my main interest! Having the guts  
to go fight for what you think is right  
is amazing. Reading what the people said to

you and the way they treated you continues to be how many natives are still treated.

Showing you're a Native American and taking a stand is outstanding. We also learned that you succeeded in the fight for the money owed to the Native people.

I personally think this is a great thing.

You're a role model for everyone that's ever been told they can't do something.

The Native American people need to appreciate what you did. You made history with what you did! I think more people need to be responsible, respectful, and courageous! You've shown me that going with what you know is right can have a positive outcome. The fight is worth the rejection.

Thank you for taking a stand and fighting.

Sincerely,

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[REDACTED]

September 20, 2011

Elouise Cobell  
[REDACTED]

Dear Elouise Cobell,

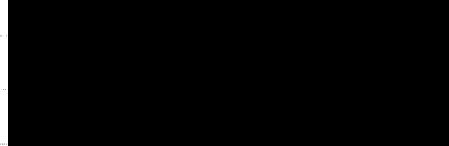
My name is [REDACTED]  
And I'm 11 years young. My parents  
are [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]  
My grandparents are [REDACTED] and  
[REDACTED] (brother) [REDACTED], and  
I have one brother  
[REDACTED], age 8, and three sisters  
[REDACTED], 19, [REDACTED], 18, and [REDACTED], 14.

I am a well educated  
Sophomore at Browning High School  
and I love it! In English we've been  
learning about Indian Trust monies.  
It is very interesting.

I learned that you pretty much saved our people, money wise, and also taught people to not be afraid to take challenges, to not give up, no matter hard it may be.

My thoughts and opinions are that you never gave up, you kept on trying and fighting for us. I appreciate that VERY much. Now, because of you, we will have money for our blackfeet Reservation.

Sincerely,



[REDACTED]

September 28, 2011

Elouise Cobell  
[REDACTED]

Dear Mrs. Cobell,

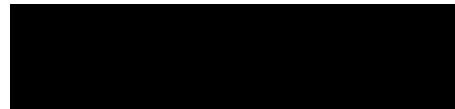
My name is [REDACTED]. My parents are [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. My grandparents are [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. I live on the Blackfeet Reservation and attend high school as a sophomore. I am writing this letter to you because in my English-Honors class we have read about what you have accomplished. We read articles about how you won the Indian Trust Settlement case. How you worked hard to get information, and how you stood up as a Blackfeet leader.

What I read about the Indian Trust Settlement is that Indians (Native Americans) were not being paid for their land. The Indians were being robbed of money, and that you stood up as a wise and great leader to help get our money. I also learned that you got to see powerful people, like President Obama and leaders in Montana government. You also stood up for yourself when they

were disrespectful to you. I admire your leadership and courage.

My opinions are that you did the right thing. Some people might think you cut the Indians short, but you battled through many years of hardship. I also think that the government was wrong for what they did, and that you helped fight for our money. I am glad that you are a great Blackfeet Indian that stood up for all the Indians.

Sincerely,



[REDACTED]

September 28, 2011

Mrs. Eloise Cobell  
[REDACTED]

Dear Mrs Eloise Cobell,

My name is [REDACTED] I'm a sophomore at Browning High School. My parents are [REDACTED] and [REDACTED].

[REDACTED] My grandparents are [REDACTED] on my father's side. On my mom's side I have [REDACTED] and [REDACTED].

I'm in [REDACTED] 10<sup>th</sup> grade Honors English class. For the past week and a half we've been learning about your trial and what you've been wanting to change for Native Americans. By reading your article in the Montana Quarterly I've learned that you know that Native

Americans have been treated unfairly and deserve the right to get what we haven't been given. I've learned you're a very head strong woman and a good role model to look up too. You're a good person, and people are going to remember you by that.

My opinion on the article was I thought it was good. It made me realize how much you're doing for the Native Americans how much we appreciate you doing it. If you wouldn't have stood up to the government, than I don't think anyone would have. I learned a lot of facts and knowledge from the article, and I hope everything goes well, and we get what deserve.

Sincerely,



[REDACTED]

September 29, 2011

Mrs. Eloise Cobell  
[REDACTED]

Dear Mrs. Cobell,  
My name is [REDACTED]. I am  
a 15 year old from Browning High  
School. I am a native american, and  
have been living in Browning for 14  
years. My parents are [REDACTED]  
and [REDACTED]. My grandparents  
are [REDACTED] and [REDACTED].

I have been studying your issue  
in my English class. Please don't be  
offended, but at first, I had NO CLUE  
who you were. As I read on, I start  
to get an idea of what kind of person  
you are. By the way, if you don't mind  
me saying, I think you're an AMAZING  
person for what you did! You stood up  
to the United States government for all  
Indians, and won! Not many people can,  
or have the power to sue the U.S government!  
And I highly admire you for doing  
what you did!

Reading about your case, I realized

Some people may not treat others fair, but that's EVERYWHERE! I learned that the government owes the Native Americans A LOT OF MONEY. I've also come to learn to get what you want, you have to stick up for yourself in order to get it!

My whole purpose of writing this letter to you, is I just wanted to thank you, and give my opinion on the issue. Thanks again, and I think what you did is wonderful..

Sincerely,

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September 29, 2011

Elouise Cobell

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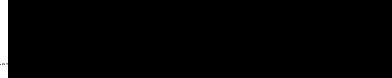
Dear,

Elouise Cobell, My name is [REDACTED]. I am 15 years old and am a Sophomore in high school. In my English class we've been reading an article about who you are and what you've done for our reservation. I learned that you are a Native American that lives in Badger Creek.

This article told me that you fought the United States government for Indian monies that they owed to

us. This article also told me that you were turned down many times but wouldn't stop fighting for us. That's the part that inspires me the most. That they pushed you down, but you just got right up until you won. This means a lot to me, Louise. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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[REDACTED] Elouise Cobell [REDACTED]

September 28, 2011

Dear Elouise, my name is [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] I am a proud child of

[REDACTED] and [REDACTED]; you

may or may not know them. I am a  
16 year old student, a sophomore, at Bremerton  
High School. For the past week or so

I have been reading an article about  
what you did, not only for our reservation  
but for all Native American and how hard  
it was to accomplish your goal, but you  
stuck to it until you reached it; no matter  
how many years it took. I think  
you did a very good job fighting for your  
people. I thank you very much again for  
what you done, not for me, but other kids  
future.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]

September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2011

Elouise Cobell  
[REDACTED]

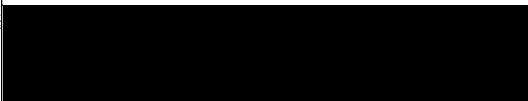
Dear Mrs. Cobell,

Hey there! My name is [REDACTED] and my parents are [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. My grandparents are [REDACTED]. I am a Blackfeet Indian. I am 15 and am attending school at the Browning High School. I have 7 classes: Blackfeet Studies, Desktop publishing, Honors English, Math, Biology, Physical Education, and AVID. In my Honors English class we have been learning about you! We all read an article about you, "An Unlikely Warrior" from the Montana Quarterly.

I learned that you fought for the Indian monies, and you are the only person to sue the government and win. I think you are a very strong and brave woman. You fought for what you think is right, and you never gave up! I would like to be that brave someday. I think you fought for the right reasons also.

I just wanted to write you a couple lines  
and tell you we all admire your  
courageous effort and miraculous  
ability.

Sincerely,



9/28/11

Eloise Cobell

Dear Eloise, My name is [REDACTED]  
My dad is [REDACTED], and my mom  
is [REDACTED]. In our English class we learned  
about your lawsuit against the government. We  
all are writing these letters to you to tell you  
what we have learned.

We have been reading this article  
called "Unlikely Warrior", it talks about you  
and all the events that happened on your journey.  
In the article it says your whole name it made  
me proud to here [REDACTED] and tell everyone that's

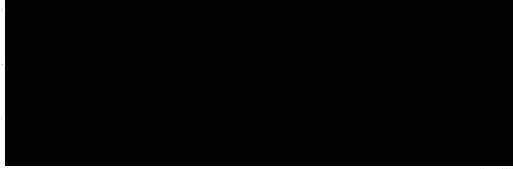
[REDACTED]. My mom tells me what the  
government did to all the Indian people, about  
the Indian trust money. I am proud that you  
found what they were doing to us Indian  
people, and you stood up to them for all those  
years and won. We need more Native American  
people like you, who stand up for us and  
fight for what's rightfully ours.

I think it was wrong for the  
government to do this to all our people,  
Some people are in poverty. We were the  
first people on this land the government  
should recognize this and treat us  
a little better. After all we're like the  
First Americans.

I am very proud of you for  
what you did, I am proud that your [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] You did something that no one  
else ever did, it took many years but you  
did it good job. Thank you for standing up  
for us.

Sincerely,



[REDACTED]

September 28, 2011

Dear Mrs. Cobell,

My name is [REDACTED]. I am in the tenth grade and I am fifteen years old. I live in Browning, Montana. What I been doing in class is reading an article called "An Unlikely Warrior". Only Once Did She Flinch. It was in the Montana Quarterly magazine. I didn't know who you were until I read the article. We read the article in English 10. We also read it for Native American week. I learned that you were fighting for all the fellow Blackfeet. That you traveled all the way to Washington, D.C. to fight for us Blackfeet. That for fifteen years you have refused to stand down until you stood up with president Obama in December 2010 as he signed legislation sealing a \$3.4 billion deal. That's when you would never again flinch. Attorney learned Janet Reno dismissed you by telling you to "write a letter" and Sen. John Mc Cain's famous temper flared at you. My opinions and thought about this matter is that you did it. Who else would ~~have~~ the guts to stand up to

the President to defend their tribe

Sincerely,

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[REDACTED]

September 28, 2011

Elouise Cobell

[REDACTED]

Dear Mrs. Cobell

My name is [REDACTED] I  
I am a tenth grader in the high school.  
I don't really know a lot about  
you, but I know that you are the first  
to fight the government and win.  
You fought for all of the tribes in  
the country and their land. Since  
the trial, have you been very active  
like going to places, in my article that  
we read about you it said that you  
gave up a kidney for your husband  
what was wrong with him? have you  
had problems without the kidney?  
Were there a lot of people that put  
you down like saying that you couldn't  
do it from the reservation. The  
government seems strong I don't think  
that I would be able to do that  
You did, were you scared  
When you were going through this  
of were you excited or glad to be doing this

And through this who does all  
that for you to get through this.  
I don't really go to different states  
have you send enough just to get  
information.

Sincerely,

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September 29, 2011

Elouise Cobell

Dear Elouise,

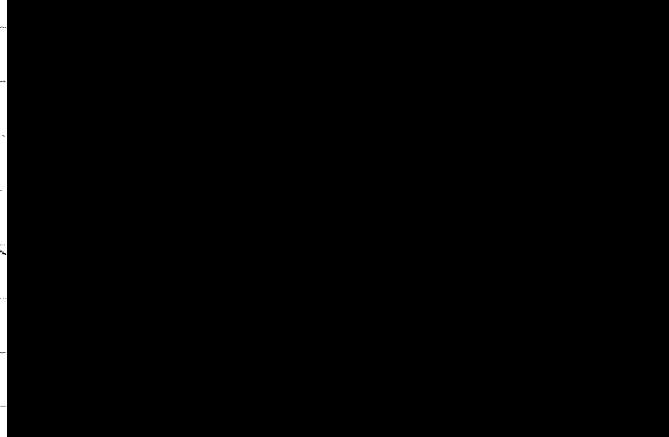
My name is [REDACTED] and I am 15 years old. I attend the Browning High School and am a sophomore. I come from a big family. My mother is [REDACTED] who works at the Browning Elementary. My grandparents are [REDACTED] and [REDACTED], [REDACTED] age 80, and [REDACTED], who is 103 years old.

This school year I'm required to take seven classes: Quilting, Business Skills, Honors English 9B, Biology, math, and AVID. AVID is a new program to our school district, a program that prepares each individual in the class for college. In my English class we have recently been reading about your accomplishments. I learned from your accomplishments

that any Native American is capable of standing up and being a leader! I also learned that you are a very strong woman, and the bigger person in the situation because you never gave up!

My opinion about your success is that it is wonderful, knowing that you're a Native American coming from the Blackfeet Reservation, showing your respect for Indian Trustees Minutes. I am very appreciative for the task you have accomplished.

Sincerely,



[REDACTED]

Elouise Cobell

[REDACTED]

Dear Mrs. Elouise Cobell,

My name is [REDACTED]. I am fifteen years old, and I am a sophomore at Browning High School. My parents are [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] and my older brother is [REDACTED]. My grandparents are [REDACTED] and [REDACTED].

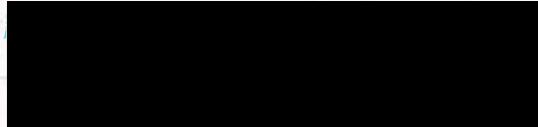
[REDACTED] and [REDACTED], I come from a very strong catholic family and I was raised in the Blackfeet tradition. I have gone to pipe dances, ceremonies, and Okans since before I could walk. I am an honor student and a cheerleader. One day, I plan to become a lawyer.

I am in [REDACTED] Honors English 10, and we have recently read the article, "An Unlikely Warrior", about your battle with the government. I learned you have been fighting since before my class was born! I didn't really pay much attention to the case at first, but then I started listening to my brother and parents talk. Then, I thought to myself, "Wow." The woman actually stood up to the government for her people and actually won! It just goes to show how amazing women can be with enough courage, strength, and determination.

I think you did a miraculous thing. Who would've known it would be a native american woman from the Blackfeet Reservation to do something most people wouldn't dare to do. I really

admire you for all you have done, not just this community, but other tribes around the United States. One day, I desire to be like you. I want to go to law school at Harvard and come back to help the youth on the reservation. I want to gear them away from drugs, alcohol, and violence. I know there are many children in need, so I want to help them any way I can. I want to become a Native American Rights Activist to stand up for my people. I want to help with the poverty and lack of jobs as much as I can. My main goal is to make this reservation a better place, and you've inspired me to do great things. One day, I hope to be known on this reservation for changing lives, just like you. You're such an inspiring person, someone who I hope to be and to succeed. Thank you for doing what you did. Bless you.

Sincerely,



[REDACTED]

Mrs. Eriese Cobell

[REDACTED]

Dear Mrs. Cobell,

My name is [REDACTED] and I am a member of the Blackfeet Tribe. I go to school at Browning High School, and I am a Sophomore. My parents are [REDACTED] and [REDACTED].

I have lived in Browning, Montana my whole life. I have a very bright future for ahead of myself and I am considering becoming a nurse.

I am a very kind person, and I also work hard in all of my classes. I have three other siblings. My favorite thing to do on my free time is to hang out with my friends. Also, I like to spend quality time with my family either if it's just watching movies or going on a trip. I'm a very easy going person, respectful and shy. My favorite sport is volleyball. I plan on getting my license very soon so I can get myself around.

My grandparents are late [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] and [REDACTED] They  
were born and raised on the Reservation.

The reason I am writing you a letter is I have because in School my classmates and I have been learning about the Indian Trust Settlement and how you took part and stood up for the Blackfeet. For so many years you fought for what was right.

I think you did what was right for as long as you fought and for not backing down. It took alot of courage to step up for the Blackfeet, and how we were mistreated. That needs to change. It must be a great honor to have won the case. For all you have done, you will be remembered greatly. Keep up the good work :)

Sincerely,  
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

September 29, 2011

Mrs. Eliouse Cobell

[REDACTED]

Dear Eliouse,

My name is [REDACTED]

I am 15 years old and am a Sophomore here at Browning High School. I have lived here in Browning my whole life.

My parents are [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

On my mother's side her parents are [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

On my father's side his parents are [REDACTED]

I am writing this letter because in my Honors English class we are learning about you. [REDACTED]

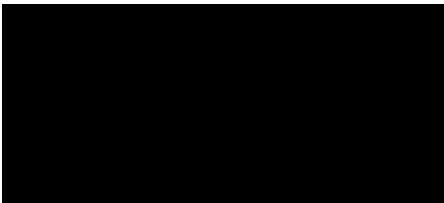
[REDACTED] made us read an article

about you, and then made us do  
a paper about what we learned.

With the law suit it was  
good that you took a stand  
for something. If not, we would  
probably still not get the money. You  
did something that which you believed  
in and were not scared of who  
you were up against. In my own  
opinion, it's good because now all  
reservations have the money they  
should have had.

Sincerely,





September 28, 2011

Elouise Cobell



Dear Elouise,

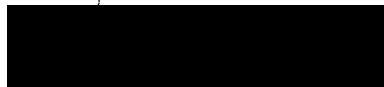
My name is [REDACTED]. I am

currently a sophomore at Browning High School. My mom  
is [REDACTED], and my grandparents are  
[REDACTED]. In my Honors 10 English  
class we've recently read the article "An Unlikely Warrior"  
in the Montana Quarterly. It is about how you won the  
Indian Individual Money's lawsuit, not only for the Blackfeet  
tribe but all three other tribes in the United States.

I've heard about some of what was going on  
from my grandparents discussing the issue. But we  
went more depth and I learned a lot more  
about the struggles you went through, and you never  
gave up. When someone would doubt you, or say something  
provocative, your willingness to help our Indian people  
was so strong it never affected you. You never let it  
stop you and for that I believe you are a strong women.

In my opinion, I believe what you did to help our Indian people was very noble and amazing. More people should stand up and fight for our Water Rights and land basis because all Native Americans are loosing their land basis. It's not growing only decreasing. I would just like to thank you for your heroic and adroit deed. You truly are a warrior.

Sincerely,

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[REDACTED]

September 28, 2011

Mrs. Eloise Cobell  
[REDACTED]

Dear Mrs. Eloise Cobell,

My name is [REDACTED] I am a grandchild of [REDACTED] and [REDACTED], and [REDACTED]. Browning High School is where I attend school. I try my best to get good grades, and be the best student I can be. This year I am a sophomore.

This week in my Honors English class, we read an article entitled "Only Once Did She Flinch." Before I read this article I had no idea who you were, but now I understand how important you are. You fought for the 3.4 billion dollars that the government owed us. Every person listed in the paragraphs that were discouraging you, made me want to tell you not to give up. You went through some hard obstacles, and a long wait, but you stuck in there and made it to the finish line. What impressed me was how you deeply scrutinized the money trail to truly uncover how much money was owed.

You are truly a great inspiration to the Native American People. Your story is very heroic. Eloise Cobell made it from Little Browning MT, to Washington DC, and impacted Everyone.

Sincerely,  
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

September 28, 2011

Mrs. Elrise Cobell  
[REDACTED]

Dear Mrs. Cobell

My name is [REDACTED]

I am currently a sophomore at Browning High School. I am the second oldest of eight (8) children.

My parents are [REDACTED]

and [REDACTED]

My aunts and parents are [REDACTED]

and [REDACTED]

I lived in Browning all my life and attended every school, Headstart to high school in Browning. It's very hard living here. You can't do very much here without being involved in trouble.

In my Honors English class we read an article about how you sued the United States and went before some powerful people and won. That was an amazing article. In reading this article, I have learned that Indian

people have rights and deserve justice  
as much as everyone else in the  
United States.

My opinion is this was an amazing  
story. You have really inspired me and  
taught me about not giving up.  
You are very intelligent and smart.  
This makes me have more faith  
as being a Native American.

Sincerely,

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Eloise Cobell

September 29, 2011

Dear Eloise Cobell,

My name is [REDACTED] and I am a Sophomore at Browning High School. My parents are [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. My grand mother is [REDACTED] and my grandfather is [REDACTED]. In class we are doing a lot of writing, and we read a story about a tiny warrior. We wrote about over coming fear and over coming something that is hard to do in life. We also read an article about you in the Montana Quarterly. I learned how you fought against the United States government for Native American rights. We learned how you did it and how long it took you to do it. We learned that it was hard to get started doing what you were doing. I think it was really brave of you to do and to fight for what you believe.

I am sorry that you have cancer but  
am happy that you're going strong. Even  
though you have cancer, please remember  
to keep your head up and keep fighting.  
What you did for everybody was amazing  
and brave of you to do.

Sincerely,



[REDACTED]

September 29, 2011

Mrs. Eloise Cobell  
[REDACTED]

Dear Mrs. Cobell,

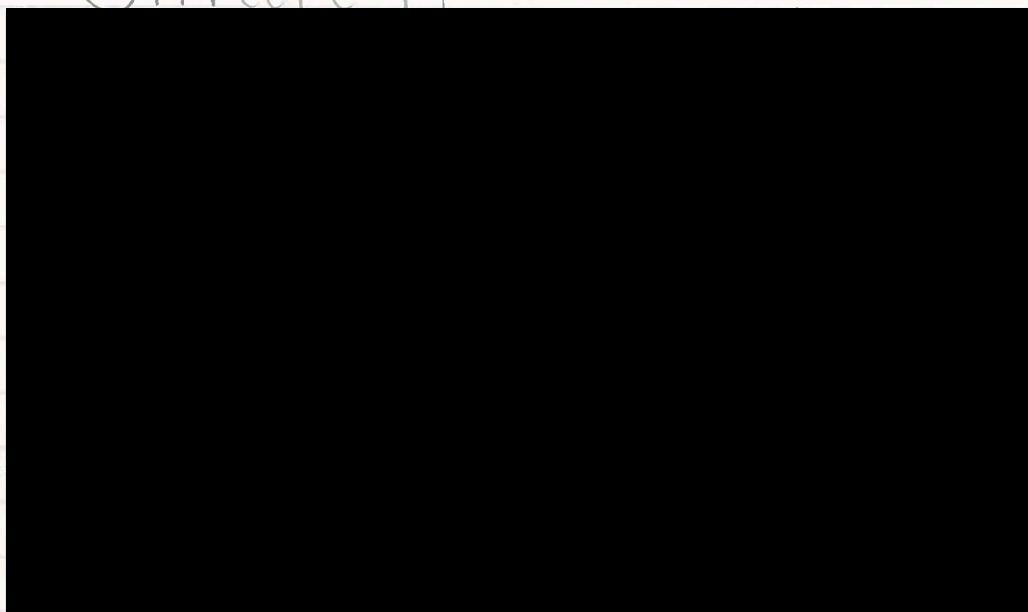
My name is [REDACTED]. I'm a fifteen year old sophomore from Browning High School. I was born and raised on the Blackfeet reservation. My parents are [REDACTED] most people know her as [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. My grandparents on my mom's side are [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. My grandparents on my dad's side are [REDACTED] and [REDACTED].

You're probably wondering why I'm writing this letter, read on Eloise! Lately in English we have been reading an article about what you've done for Native Americans. When I read the article, I was like, Wow! I want to be like her and prove to others wrong about Native Americans.

What you've done for us is very admirable. You're a natural role model! I'd also would like to meet you! After a lot of thinking, I have realized not many people have the courage to do what you did! I really admire your persistence. On behalf of me, Thanks Eloise Cobell!

You've really taught me a lot about "Sticking it to the man".

Sincerely,



[REDACTED]

Mrs. Eloise Cobell

[REDACTED]

Dear Mrs. Cobell,

My name is [REDACTED], and I  
am the daughter of [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]. My grandparents are [REDACTED]  
and [REDACTED]. I am an  
10th grader at Brooking High School.

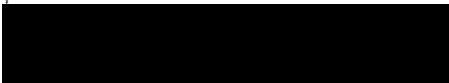
For the past four days we have been  
studying the story "Only Once Did She Flinch"  
and I am sure you are aware of this  
story. We've have gone into deep research  
about this. We summarized every  
paragraph into our own words and  
what we thought of it, so we are very  
interested in this story. We all have the  
idea how hard of a worker you are. We  
learned a lot in these last four days.  
We are stuckying this in my Honors English  
class!

I learned much about the story and  
about you. I heard my parents talking  
about this situation before, discussing  
Eloise Cobell. I never really payed much

attention to it, but I WAS similar with it when my teacher handed us a story about it. I WAS Interested to read it because now I know what they were talking about. I learned about Indian Individual Trust monies and how you tryed to solve it, how you were in Washington D.C and met all these different people. It seems like a lot.

I think you are a very intelligent person, and a lot of people have a lot of respect for you. You did such a wonderful thing to help Blackfeet people!

Sincerely,



[REDACTED]

September 28th, 2011

Mrs. Eloise Cobell  
[REDACTED]

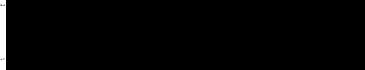
Dear Mrs. Cobell

My name is [REDACTED]. My parents are [REDACTED]. I have three brothers: [REDACTED]. My grand-parents on my mother's side are [REDACTED] and [REDACTED], and my grandparents on my father's side are [REDACTED].

You're probably wondering why I'm writing you this letter, well I am in [REDACTED] English 10 Honors class at Browning High School. Lately we have read the article written about you in the Montana Quarterly called "An Unlikely Warrior". So far I've learned that you sued the United States government to get us the right to our own money. What I like most is that you didn't just do it for the Blackfeet but tribes across the United States. Also, I learned that through the whole ordeal you were nursing your husband back to health, and you had to travel back

and forth between Browning, I.T. and Washington, D.C. My opinion on the article is that it was very well written, informative, and interesting. Throughout the whole article I was wondering: "What is she going to do now? Is she going to win?" I'm very glad you did win. Without you, I'm sure we wouldn't be as well off as we are. A lot of people think Browning is a bad place to live, although it could be worse. But it isn't. You're my impetus to try and make Browning a better place. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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[REDACTED]

September 29, 2011

Eloise Cobell  
[REDACTED]

Dear Eloise Cobell,

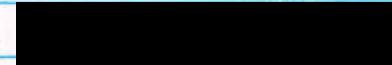
Greetings! My name is [REDACTED]. I am sixteen years old. I am a sophomore in high school. I have two brothers and one sister. All older than me. We all of from different cities. None of us were born in the same place. Our family 'are' practically nomads. Both my parents are still married and have been for twenty-six years. They also are both pastores. That's why we're here, because my parents felt like God was calling us to turn up a church here. This is my second year living here now.

In my A.P. English class we are studying about you and your fight for rights for our native people. You took a stand for Native Americans when no one really did. My favorite part about you and your life was how humble you were. You didn't have an angry look about you, but yet a pride in how you knew what was right. I found you quite admirable.

My opinion on what happened is that I think the government should treat everyone equal. We all are equal. It even states so in the Constitution. "We the people in order to form a more perfect Union, establish justice, insure domestic tranquility,..." Those rights that if you're a citizen of the United States you have just as many rights as any other citizen. We are Native Americans we are and have been some of the first citizens of America. That's why we're called "Native" Americans. So that's my opinions.

After stating my opinions I never took the time to think how many I had but didn't state. I always thought "Why put an opinion out there when it won't be heard?" I always thought they didn't matter, but they do. Sometimes an opinion can change lives! I know yours did. You took a stand. That much alone I thank you.

Sincerely,

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[REDACTED]

September 28, 2011

Elouise Cobell

[REDACTED]

Dear Ms. Cobell

My name is: [REDACTED], and my parents are  
[REDACTED]. My grandparents are  
[REDACTED].

I am English 10 Honor's class, and we have been learning about vocabulary words such as amicable, and duplicit. This is just a small sample of the words that we have been learning about. We have also been learning about your story "An unlikely warrior; only once did she flinch". We read the story and done a work paper about your story.

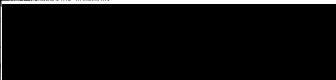
I have personally learned a lot of new vocabulary words, and am still trying to learn some of the meanings, but this class really has me learning new things that I have not known about before.

The words are not the ones things that we have been reading we also do a lot of writing, read stories and drew a漫游者. There is still a lot more that we have been doing in this class.

When I read the story "An Unlikely warrior; only once did she flinch" I thought that you have really done a lot for multiple tribes not just the Blackfeet. You have spoken for the one's who are not able to or just afraid of what will happen. You believed in yourself enough to stand up and speak about the years where Native Americans were treated.

In the years of your court battles, my mother said that we were on the news's where you built your case on my mother, Angela Butterfly, and a few other people.

Sincerely,

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Mrs Eloise Cobell

Dear Mrs. Cobell

My name is [REDACTED] and my parents are [REDACTED]. My dad told me that we are related somehow through the Pepions, distantly I'm guessing. [REDACTED] would be my great-grandfather.

We read an article about you this week, and I learned a lot. I really had no idea that any of this had taken place before; it's pretty impressive. Most people wouldn't have the guts to stand up to the government. Not only did you win 3.4 billion dollars for Native Americans, but you won respect for them and pride for yourself. You are a role model and a leader, people look up to you greatly.

If more people fought for what they believed in and what they thought was fair, there would be less and less things to fight about. Eventually, everyone would be treated the same and given the same respect, despite their skin color, last name, or where they may live. I'm thankful for you showing people that it can be done!

Sincerely,



[REDACTED]

September 28, 2011

Mrs. Eloise Cobell  
[REDACTED]

Dear Mrs. Cobell,

My name is [REDACTED]  
I am 15 years old and a sophomore in  
high school. My mom's name is [REDACTED]  
. Her parents are [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] My dad's  
name is [REDACTED], and his  
parents are [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]. I have two siblings,  
19, and [REDACTED].

I am in [REDACTED] Honors 10  
English class, and I am writing  
to you because we read an article,  
"Only Once Did She Flinch." We read

this article and took notes on it. While reading this article I learned that you went to Washington D.C. because you thought Indians were being cheated of the money that was issued to us. You were brave to do something that no one else could have done.

I admire you for taking a stand for every tribe in the United States. I don't think anyone else would have had the guts to sue a government.

You have done well for your people and should be very proud of what you have accomplished.

Sincerely,



[REDACTED]

September 28, 2011

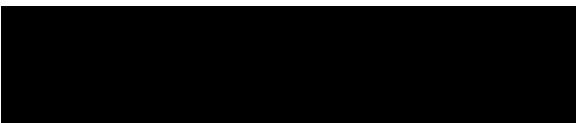
Dear Mrs. Cobell

My name is [REDACTED]  
I'm sixteen years old, and I'm a  
sophomore at Browning High School.  
I was born in Billings, and I am  
enrolled in the Crow nation class.  
I'm the daughter of [REDACTED] and [REDACTED].

[REDACTED] The great-grand-daughter  
of [REDACTED] and the grand-dau-  
ghter of [REDACTED]. In English  
we have been doing vocabulary  
words and defining them. We have  
also been reading stories and then  
writing about them. We created a  
mandala and explained them in  
a seven paragraph paper. In  
this class I learned to write a multi-  
paragraph essay, and I have learned  
several new words. When I found  
out who you were and what you  
were doing, I felt proud and  
had faith that there are still  
people in this world who are willing  
to fight for their own people and  
not back down.

Your story inspired me to keep  
trying, no matter what!

Sincerely,



[REDACTED]

September 28, 2011

Dear Mrs. Cobell,

My name is [REDACTED] and I am in the 10<sup>th</sup> grade. My mother is [REDACTED]. My grandparents are [REDACTED] deceased, and my brother and sister are [REDACTED] and [REDACTED].

I have been working in the vocabulary book, lesson one. I have also been learning about what you have done for the reservation. I read the article "An Unlikely Warrior: Only Once did She Flinch" from the Montana Quarterly. It was a very influencing article.

I learned about how you went to Washington, D.C. and fought for Native American rights and beliefs. I also learned about the Individual Indian Trust Monies. Another thing I learned is that on June 10<sup>th</sup> of 1996 with an initial \$675,000 from the Otto Bremer Foundation and the Native American Right Fund. You are very brave.

My opinions and thoughts on this matter are that the President should have listened to you sooner.

Sincerely,



[REDACTED]

Sept. 28, 2011

Dear Mrs. Cobell,

My name is [REDACTED]. My mom is [REDACTED]. I don't know who my dad is and really don't care. My mom's in prison. I live with my auntie and uncle, who raised me since I was six months old. Their names are [REDACTED] and [REDACTED].

In class we learned about you. We have been reading a story from the Montana Quarterly. From this I learned that you are a strong, brave woman who stands up for what she wants. My opinions and thoughts on this matter would be you should keep it up because a lot of people look up to you. Also, a lot of people on this reservation need the money. What you're doing means a lot to me and a lot of other people. It shows that you want back what's ours. What you're doing means to me that there is hope. People from the reservation can become something.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]