

**Informed Consent Form**

Hunters, Christians, and Native Americans in Alaska  
An Ethnography of Spirituality in the Upper Kuskokwim Region

IRB # 646745-2

Date Approved \_9 / 29/ \_2014

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This agreement covers the recordings made between 4/23/15 and 4/23/15

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Signature of Participant & Date

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Shirley Gover (Dog-mushing)

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(Narrator's printed name)

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(Narrator's signature & date)

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(Narrator's mailing address)

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