## '100 Years' Exclusive Trailer: The Story of One Native Activist Who Took On The United States Government

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"100 Years: One Woman's Fight For Justice"

Oftentimes, some of our most inspiring national tales happen right under our noses and don't receive the attention they deserve, such as the the story of Elouise Cobell, a petite Blackfeet warrior from Montana who took on the United States government, and the focus of the new documentary "100 Years: One Woman's Fight For Justice." As a Treasurer of her tribe, Cobell discovered a trail of fraud and corruption leading from Montana to Washington D.C. involving mismanaged Indian Trust accounts. In 1996, she filed the largest class action lawsuit ever against the federal government, and after 15 years and three Presidential administrations, she finally prevailed. Watch an exclusive trailer for the film below.

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The film is directed by Melinda Janko, the founder of Fire in the Belly Productions. On the film, she says, "I've always been attracted to stories about the triumph of the human spirit, and people overcoming great odds. So when I went looking for a story in March 2002, I looked for one that would inspire, make a difference, and maybe even change the way we see the world. What I found was an article in Mother Jones magazine about a people, a government and a betrayal of trust. It is a story that has its roots in the 19th century but still continues today."

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