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PBDTGetAPPL Identify the application that can open a file with a given

creator

#include <<u>Files.h</u>> <u>Finder Interface</u>

<u>OSErr</u>	PBDTGetAPPL(paramBlock, async);					
<b>DTPBPtr</b>	param	<i>Block</i> ; p	pointer to a DTP Param Block			
<u>Boolean</u>	async;		0 = await completion; 1 = immediate return			
Parameter bloc	k					
$\rightarrow$	12	ioCompletio	on	long	completion routine	
$\leftarrow$	16	ioResı	ult	short	result code	
$\rightarrow$	18	ioNamePtr		long	pointer to application's name	
$\rightarrow$	24	ioDTRefNum		short	database reference number	
$\rightarrow$	26	ioInde	ex	short	index into application list	
$\leftarrow$	28	ioTagIn	fo	long	application's creation date	
$\rightarrow$	52	ioFileCreate	or	long	application's signature	
$\leftarrow$	100	ioAPPLParID		long	application's parent directory	

For an application in the database specified in <u>ioDTRefNum</u> with the <u>signature</u> specified in <u>ioFileCreator</u>, **PBDTGetAPPL** returns the filename in ioNamePtr, the parent directory ID in <u>ioAPPLParID</u>, and the creation date in <u>ioTagInfo</u>. A single call, with <u>ioIndex</u> set to 0, finds the application file with the most recent creation date. If you want to retrieve all copies of the appli-cation with the given <u>signature</u>, start with <u>ioIndex</u> set to 1 and increment until ioResult returns <u>afpltemNotFound</u>; when called multiple times in this fashion, **PBDTGetAPPL** returns the application's copies, including the file with the most recent creation date, in arbitrary order.

Returns: an Error code. It will be one of the following:

noErr	(0)	No error
ioErr	(-36)	I/O error
rfNumErr	(-51)	Reference number invalid
extFSErr	(-58)	External file system-file system identifier is nonzero
afpItemNotFound	(-5012)	Information not found

Note: There is a second, asynchronous, version of this function. It does not take a second parameter; instead, it adds the suffix "Async" to the name of the routine.

Similarly, the third (synchronous) version of the routine does not take a second parameter; instead, it adds the suffix "Sync" to the name of the routine.

Note, however, that the second and third versions of these routines do not use the glue code that the first versions use and are therefore more efficient.