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To George B. Roberts, First Selectman, Brooks, Maine
Re: Citizenship by Marriage Less than Three Months before Election Day

Replying to yours of the 4th, inst., you are advised that the girl in question, by marriage to an American citizen thereby became a citizen of the United States and entitled to vote, provided she has resided in the town where she wishes to vote for three months prior to the date of election.

It is our opinion that the date of the wedding would not be material; that a person must meet the requirement of three months' residence before he becomes a voter. The same rule would apply, we think, to the woman in question as would apply to a minor. There would be no question but what a boy living in a town three months prior to election and becoming twenty-one the day before election would be entitled to vote. We think the same rule would apply to a woman becoming a citizen by marriage.

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Deputy Attorney General