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Joseph E. Harvey, Esquire
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Dear Joe:

I have your letter of November 22, in which you inquire about lobster licenses and bonds.

In paragraph 2 you do not make it plain whether you mean transportation within the State or Interstate Commerce. It seems plain, as provided in section 72 of Chapter 22, Laws of 1933, that a person who makes the catching of lobsters his occupation and is licensed for that purpose, has the right to transport any lobsters caught by him in the State without taking out any additional license.

Section 74, however, provides that no person, except common carriers, shall transport or cause to be transported lobsters beyond the limits of the State, and it seems to me that this would apply to a licensed fisherman and that such licensed fisherman, while he can transport his own lobsters in the State would be obliged to take out another license and file a bond if he wishes to go into the business of transporting them beyond the limits of the State.

I trust this answers your inquiry, and if it does not, write me again and I will try to straighten it out for you.

Very truly yours,

Franz U. Burkett
Attorney General

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