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To Raymond T. Adams, Administrative Director, Military Defense
Re: Legal Services

There has been a great deal of bother and considerable expense incurred by reason of selection of attorneys for work on titles in connection with airport construction who have not been approved in advance by the Attorney General, as the law requires. In order to protect ourselves, it will be necessary that a different procedure be followed in the future.

Hereafter, whenever an airport is projected which will require funds from the State of Maine, the Attorney General's office will decline to approve any bills involving payment of attorneys who have not been previously authorized by this office. Before any money can be paid over, the title work must have been performed by a member of the Attorney General's department or some attorney expressly delegated by the Attorney General.

This does not apply to the following airports: Princeton, Ellsworth, Norridgewock, and Sanford. The reason for these exceptions is that the work has either been entirely completed or in very nearly completed, with the consent of this office.

Frank I. Cowan
Attorney General

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