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August 29, 1942

John S. S. Fessenden, Deputy Attorney General

F. K. Purinton, Executive Secretary

In reply to your memo of August 24th, 1942, relative to the purchase of real estate, you are advised that under the Administrative Code no provision is made for the Purchasing Agent to purchase real estate. His authority with respect to acquiring real estate is limited to arranging for the use of the same by lease.

Real estate purchased by the State of Maine for the use of any agency of the government should be bought in the name of the State of Maine.

In purchasing real estate, it is not necessary for any official of the State to sign any papers.

The only thing that is necessary is that proper authorization for the expenditure be made.

Deputy Attorney General

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