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Harrison O. Greenleaf, Commissioner

Institutional Service

Frank I. Cowan

Attorney General

I have given considerable thought to your memorandum of July 1st in regard to the Bell and Seay cases of prisoners at Thomaston. Mr. Farrington and I had a discussion of this question with Judge Murray in Bangor some time ago, and I have talked it over somewhat with Mr. Napolitano, to whom I have assigned the duty of representing the State in these cases and who will, I believe, to a considerable extent act as adviser to your department. It seems to me best that the present parole board continue the practice of their predecessors in all matters involving paroles where the prisoner has consecutive sentences. If this does not work out as you believe it should, you can ask the legislature to amend the law.

Frank I. Cowan
Attorney General

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