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Honorable Raymond C. Rendall Forestry Commissioner State House Augusta, Maine

Re: Public Lands

Commissioner Rendall:

The procedure for the Forestry Commissioner to follow in designating wild lands is pretty well set forth under Chapter 11, Section 19 of the Revised Law of 1930. Incidentally, this will appear in the new revision under a different chapter and section but it will suffice for the moment.

Under the case of Frank E. Mace, Land Agent for the Ship Pond Land and Lumber Company, 112 Maine, Page 420, the following procedure was set out:

- Land agent brings a petition under statutes of the Superior Court in the county where the land lies.
- 2. Court grants the petition and appoints a commission for the purpose of surveying and designating the so-called public lands. (See Ring, petitioner, 104 Maine, Page 544)
- 3. Committee makes a return of its findings to the Court, which in turn enters a decree to be filed in the Registry of Deeds accordingly.

This procedure should be brought by the Attorney General or someone designated by him in behalf of the Forestry Commissioner.

Sincerely yours,

John C. Mershall

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