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July 6, 1945

To Frank H. Ingraham, Esquire, Public Administrator
Re: Disposition of Minor Articles of Personal Property

. . . You state that you would appreciate it if I would advise the Register of Probate what should be done with articles or money less than \$20 in value; and you would also appreciate my opinion as to the disposition of similar articles over \$20. where there would be little left after the Public Administrator had purchased a bond. . . .

On these estates, where the amounts are more than \$20, I would petition under Section 1 of Chapter 141, R. S. 1944, for administration, even if the State does not get anything out of it, as that seems to be the law.

In regard to the minor articles of personal property, such as watches, jackknives, etc., I would dispose of them agreeably to subsection 8 of Section 1 of Chapter 156, R. S. 1944, and I authorize you to sell these articles for cash and turn the cash over to the State Treasurer, taking his receipt therefor, stating in said receipt that there is no widow, widower, or kindred, and this property has escheated to the State of Maine under the provisions of said subdivision of said section. . . .

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