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May 22, 1947

To Niran C. Bates, Supervisor of Continuing Property Records

Your letter of May 7th received, relating to conference which you had with Mr. Breitbard and myself in my office on May 1st, with regard to certain deeds in which the State of Maine is grantee. I also acknowledge receipt of your enclosure of six unrecorded deeds in which the State is grantee, on file in the Forest Commissioner's office as of May 1, 1947.

You will note the language of the Council Order, No. 396, passed August 10, 1932, was that all deeds running to the State of Maine. . . after being recorded in the proper Registry of Deeds, be delivered to the Forest Commissioner. That means that the department which supervised the passing of the deeds should see that they are recorded before being delivered to the Forest Commissioner, where they are filed and indexed. Four of the deeds listed were delivered to the State long before the Council Order of 1932 went into effect. However, as a measure of precaution, I authorize you, as Supervisor of Continuing Property Records, to have these deeds placed on record in the Registry of Deeds of the county where the land lies.

Ralph W. Farris
Attorney General

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