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To Lester E. Brown, Chief Warden, Inland Fisheries and Game
Re: Legal Age for License

I have your letter of May 24th, asking me to give you a ruling on the following question which has to do with the interpretation of Section 32 of Chapter 33 of the Revised Statutes as amended. This portion of the statute reads:

"No resident of the State over 18 years of age, and no non-resident over the age of 10 years shall fish in any inland waters of the state, etc."

You desire to know when a resident becomes "over 18 years of age."

It is my opinion that when a resident reaches his 18th birthday and over, he is over 18 years of age.

In your present case, if the warrant was against a young man whose 18th birthday was last January, he would be 18 years and so many months, until the present time, and he would be over 18 years of age.

Ralph W. Farris
Attorney General

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