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To A. D. Nutting, Forest Commissioner
Re: Use of State Property

With regard to the use of an island in Abrams Pond by a resident of Massachusetts who has recently constructed a camp on that island, and whose presence on the island is strongly objected to by a particular individual, we feel that the problem is predominantly a procedural one, to be decided by your office.

However, in tracing the history of the attempts made by this person to ascertain the ownership of the island, we feel that a "good faith" attempt was made before construction of the camp began. Therefore we might suggest that, though the party should not be granted indefinite permission to remain on the island, reasonable consideration be given to the "equities" involved. If the party is willing to remove the camp after July, probably a direction by you to that effect would be the best solution. . . .

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