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STATE OF MAINE

REPORT

OF THE

ATTORNEY GENERAL

for the calendar years

1957 - 1958

Please note in Section 8, par. V, Chapter 32-B, Revised Statutes of 1954, that the mortgage must contain such terms with respect to payment of taxes and assessments as the authority may prescribe.

GEORGE A. WATHEN
Assistant Attorney General

May 7, 1958

To Roland H. Cobb, Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Game

Re: Lease of Seaplane Base

We have your letter of April 28, 1958, and the attached letter from Paul Fichtner, M. D.

Dr. Fichtner would like your department to make its seaplane base at Rangelley Lake available for public use, and you inquire as to how this might be done legally.

There is no general statutory authority for a State department to lease its property for any purpose. There are isolated instances in which a department, such as Forestry, the Park Commission and the Aeronautics Commission, may lease its property, such authority being granted by statute. Lacking such legislative authorization, it would be necessary for the legislature to enact a law authorizing such leasing of State property.

JAMES GLYNN FROST
Deputy Attorney General

May 7, 1958

To Charles P. Bradford, Superintendent, Park Commission

Re: Digging Clams in State Parks

. . . It appears to us that if the Park Commission does not wish local clam diggers to dig within the boundaries of Reid State Park, then such activity could be prohibited by a rule and regulation properly promulgated.

We believe there is sufficient authority in the Park Commission to enact such rule and regulation.

JAMES GLYNN FROST
Deputy Attorney General

May 9, 1958

To Ruth A. Hazelton, State Librarian

Re: Film Cooperative Contract

We have your memo of April 29th, which reads as follows:

"The State Library is considering joining a cooperative film group consisting of the state library agencies of Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont. The enclosed contract has been drawn up by the New Hampshire State Library and has been approved by the Attorney General of New Hampshire.