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March 13, 1962

Asa C. Richardson, Super., R/W Attys.

Highway

George C. West, Deputy

Attorney General

Public Officials Having Pecuniary Interest in Public Contracts

Reference is made to your memo of March 9, 1962.

It is the opinion of this office that you are correct in your interpretation of Chapter 135, section 17. A member of the Land Damage Board is a "person holding a place of trust in any state office." He is, therefore, pecuniarily interested indirectly in the employment of employees of the corporation in which he is an officer by another firm doing contract work of appraisals for the State Highway Commission.

George C. West
Deputy Attorney General

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