

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

The following document is provided by the  
**LAW AND LEGISLATIVE DIGITAL LIBRARY**  
at the Maine State Law and Legislative Reference Library  
<http://legislature.maine.gov/lawlib>



Reproduced from scanned originals with text recognition applied  
(searchable text may contain some errors and/or omissions)

STATE OF MAINE

Cumberland, ss:

Portland, July 6, 1938

AFFIDAVIT

of Charles A. Griggs

I, Charles A. Griggs, of Portland in the County of Cumberland and State of Maine, on oath depose and say:

*Treasurer*  
That I am the ~~President~~ of Griggs-Turner Co. Inc., a Maine corporation engaged in the trucking and transportation business with principal place of business situated in the City of Portland, County of Cumberland and State of Maine.

That in the years 1934 and 1935 I was employed by the Maine Coast Fisheries, Inc. to transport fish from Eastport and other intervening points to Portland.

That the Maine Coast Fisheries, Inc. entered into a contract with the Griggs-Turner Co. Inc. to sell to it two trucks to be paid for by the Griggs-Turner Co. Inc. on a mileage basis. That neither myself, nor any officer or stockholder of the Griggs-Turner Co. Inc. knew, or had any reason to believe, that the trucks were not the property of the Maine Coast Fisheries, Inc.

That subsequent thereto Department of Justice men from Washington appeared at my place of business, disclosed their official title and badges, and took possession of the trucks, which trucks were the property of the United States Government of America.

That on one occasion Rufus H. Stone, Manager of the Maine Coast Fisheries, Inc., deducted from my bill for transporting fish the sum of one hundred (\$100) dollars, and refused to pay the bill in full, and assigned as a reason therefor the fact that the Griggs-Turner Co. Inc. had delivered the fish too late for re-shipment.

I then told Mr. Stone that I thought the Maine Coast Fisheries, Inc. was the terminus, and that I had no knowledge that the fish was reshipped. Mr. Stone then advised me that some of the fish were shipped on a train known as the "Bullet" being an express freight train travelling between Portland and New York City.

I am willing to appear before any Legislative Committee or judicial body and give any and all evidence I may have of and concerning the relationship of the Griggs-Turner Co. Inc. in the Maine Coast Fisheries, Inc. or any other matters of which the Committee, or judicial body, may care to inquire.

STATE OF MAINE  
Cumberland, ss:

Charles A. Griggs  
Portland, Maine, July 8, 1938

Personally appeared the above named Charles A. Griggs and made oath to the truth of the foregoing statements by him subscribed.

Before me,

J. H. Kelley  
Notary Public  
Justice of the Peace