

Under the provisions above quoted it is my opinion that the civil service commission might, if it saw fit so to do, declare that it would be impracticable to determine by competitive examination, the merit and fitness of certain employees in the treasurer of state's office, particularly those whose duties would require the handling of large amounts of negotiable securities, coupons, and money.

Respectfully,

EDWARD C. TURNER,  
*Attorney General.*

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APPROVAL, BOND FOR FAITHFUL PERFORMANCE OF DUTIES—  
ROBERT S. BEIGHTLER.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, April 6, 1927.

HON. GEORGE F. SCHLESINGER, *Director of Highways and Public Works, Columbus, Ohio.*

DEAR SIR:—You have submitted for my consideration an official bond of Robert S. Beightler, given in accordance with the requirements of Section 1182 of the General Code, for the faithful performance of his duties as resident deputy state highway commissioner.

To this bond is attached a certificate of the surety company to the effect that the person signing said bond in behalf of said company is its attorney in fact, and is authorized to sign an official bond of this nature for the amount therein involved, binding upon said company.

It has been ascertained by this department that the said surety company is authorized to transact its business of fidelity and surety insurance in this state.

Finding said bond in proper legal form, and properly executed, I have noted my approval thereon, and am returning the same herewith to you.

Respectfully,

EDWARD C. TURNER,  
*Attorney General.*

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DISAPPROVAL, BOND FOR FAITHFUL PERFORMANCE OF DUTIES—  
OTHO WALTER MERRELL.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, April 6, 1927.

HON. GEORGE F. SCHLESINGER, *Director of Highways and Public Works, Columbus, Ohio.*

DEAR SIR:—You have submitted for my examination the official bond of Otho Walter Merrell to the state of Ohio, in the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) with the Aetna Casualty & Surety Company as surety, to cover the faithful performance of his duties as resident deputy state highway commissioner. This bond was given in pursuance of the provisions of Section 1182 of the General Code.

It will be observed that the name of the principal in the body of the bond appears as, "Otho Walter Merrell" while it has been signed and executed by "O. W. Merrell." There is no evidence before this department that Otho Walter Merrell and O. W. Merrell are one and the same person.