

sioner *in person or by registered mail* within forty-eight hours" after the discovery of such loss or injury. While the Legislature has expressly and specifically prescribed that, if the notice be given by mail, it shall be given by *registered mail*, no particular method is laid down for giving the notice "in person." It is my opinion that the words "notify a county commissioner in person" should be liberally construed to effect the purpose of the law and that any notice which actually brings to the personal knowledge of a county commissioner the fact of the loss or injury, within the time limit designated in the statute, should be held sufficient to authorize the payment of a claim otherwise proper. That is to say, I do not believe that the words "notify a county commissioner in person" should be construed to mean that the owner must himself go to one of the commissioners and personally notify him of the loss or injury, but that, on the other hand, he may employ any agency which will actually notify one of the commissioners in person of the loss or injury sustained. If the owner, however, chooses to employ the mails as the means of notification, he should follow the directions of the statute and send such notice by registered mail.

In view of the foregoing, it is my opinion that a board of county commissioners is without authority to allow a claim for damages, presented under the provisions of Section 5840, General Code, unless the claimant notified a county commissioner in person or by registered mail within forty-eight hours after the loss or injury has been discovered.

It is further my opinion that the requirement of Section 5840, General Code, to the effect that the owner of live stock injured or killed by a dog not belonging to him or harbored on his premises, in order to be entitled to enter a claim for damages, must "notify a county commissioner in person" should be liberally construed to effect the purpose of the Legislature and that any notice which brings to the personal knowledge of any commissioner the loss or injury sustained is sufficient.

Respectfully,
EDWARD C. TURNER,
Attorney General.

2307.

APPROVAL, 14 GAME REFUGE LEASES.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, July 2, 1928.

Department of Agriculture, Division of Fish and Game, Columbus, Ohio.

GENTLEMEN :—This will acknowledge your letter of recent date in which you enclosed the following Game Refuge Leases in duplicate, for my approval :

<i>No.</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Acres</i>
1107	Ida F. Steele, Jackson County, Coal Township-----	37
1108	George W. Hayth and Effie J. Hayth, Jackson County, Coal Twp.---	38
1109	J. W. Parmiter, Morgan County, Meigsville Township-----	168
1110	J. W. Parmiter, Morgan County, Morgan Township-----	103
1111	Cleveland Bryan, Morgan County, Meigsville Township-----	15
1112	Harvey Archer, Morgan County, Meigsville Township-----	18
1113	Alvin B. Parmiter, Morgan County, Morgan Township-----	112
1114	Samuel McKibben, Morgan County, Morgan Township-----	24
1115	William Huck, Morgan County, Morgan Township-----	160

1116	Carlos A. Hall, Morgan County, Morgan Township-----	111
1117	Martha J. Meredith, Van Wert County, Jennings Township-----	197
1118	Sarah O. George, Van Wert County, York Township-----	186
1123	Joseph M. Rieger, Henry County, Liberty Township-----	40

I have examined said leases, find them correct as to form, and I am therefore returning the same with my approval endorsed thereon.

Respectfully,
EDWARD C. TURNER,
Attorney General.

2308.

APPROVAL, ABSTRACT OF TITLE TO LAND OF B. D. NICOLA, FOR
HAWTHORNDEN FARM, CLEVELAND STATE HOSPITAL, CLEVELAND,
CUYAHOGA COUNTY, OHIO.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, July 2, 1928.

HON. RICHARD T. WISDA, *Superintendent of Public Works, Columbus, Ohio.*

DEAR SIR:—You have submitted for my examination and opinion an abstract of title pertaining to certain real estate situated in Bedford Township, Cuyahoga County, Ohio, which the State of Ohio proposes to purchase from B. D. Nicola, for the Hawthornden farm of the Cleveland State Hospital. The abstract was prepared by The Cuyahoga Abstract Title and Trust Company, Cleveland, Ohio, bears the certification of said abstractor as of May 28, 1928, and covers the following described real estate situated in the Township of Bedford, County of Cuyahoga and State of Ohio, and known as being part of Original Bedford Township Lot No. 92, and bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at an iron monument in the center line of Sagamore Road at the Southwesterly corner of said Original Lot No. 92; thence North 00° 01' 23" West along the Westerly line of said Original Lot No. 92, 1033.02 feet to an iron monument in the Southerly line of land conveyed to Alma M. Templeton and Elsie H. Rada by deed recorded in Volume 3275, Page 461 of Cuyahoga County Records; thence along the Southerly line of land conveyed to Templeton and Rada as aforesaid to the right-of-way of The L. E. and P. R. R. by the following courses and distances; North 47° 04' 15" East 368.25 feet to an iron monument; North 28° 04' 15" East 270.60 feet to an iron monument; South 78° 25' 45" East 248.82 feet to an iron monument; North 40° 04' 15" East 178.20 feet to an iron monument; South 76° 55' 45" East 594.00 feet to an iron monument; North 26° 34' 15" East 198.00 feet to an iron monument; North 50° 19' 30" East 86.36 feet to the Westerly right-of-way line of The L. E. and P. R. R. which line is distant 60 feet at right angles from the center line of said right-of-way; thence South 12° 06' 25" West along said Westerly right-of-way line of The L. E. and P. R. R. 862.49 feet; thence South 77° 53' 35" East at right angles to said right-of-way, 10 feet to a point which is distant 50 feet Westerly at right angles from the center line of said right-of-way; thence South 12° 06' 25" West along said Westerly