The deed submitted was executed by John C. and Mary E. Couts, his wife, on the 25th of June, 1927, and by them acknowledged before a notary public on the same day, by which deed they transfer to the State of Ohio the property under investigation free and clear from all encumbrances. The deed is in proper form and has already been recorded on June 29, 1927, in Vol. 204, page 474 of the Tuscarawas County Records. On delivery to and acceptance by the state, such deed will transfer a good title to the State of Ohio.

The encumbrance estimate is numbered 3178, dated October 6, 1927, and covers an encumbrance of \$650.00 out of M. & R. appropriation account. It has been approved by yourself and the Director of Finance under date of October 13, 1927.

Expenditure of funds for this purchase has been consented to and approved by the Controlling Board at a meeting on October 3, 1927.

The abstract of title, blue print, deed, encumbrance estimate and notice of the Controlling Board are herewith returned.

Respectfully,
EDWARD C. TURNER,
Attorney General.

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APPROVAL, ABSTRACT OF TITLE TO LAND IN ROSS TOWNSHIP, JEFFERSON COUNTY, OHIO.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, October 26, 1927.

HON. CHARLES V. TRUAX, Director, Department of Agriculture, Columbus, Ohio.

DEAR SIR:—You have resubmitted for my opinion a form of deed and abstract of title last certified by R. G. Porter, abstracter of Steubenville, Ohio, under date of October 14, 1927, covering land situate in Ross township, Jefferson County, Ohio, more particularly described in Opinions Numbers 707 and 1038, rendered under dates of July 8th and September 22, 1927, said land consisting of two tracts, one containing 6 and 15/16 acres, more or less, and the other containing 80 acres, more or less.

Upon examination of the resubmitted abstract, I am of the opinion that the same now shows a good and merchantable title to both tracts in Clyde E. and John H. Wilson, subject to the following encumbrances:

- 1. The June instalment of the 1926 taxes, amounting to \$22.21.
- 2. The 1927 taxes, amount yet undetermined.
- 3. An assessment for the construction of the Richmond-Pravo Road in the sum of \$133.92, payable in twelve instalments of \$11.16 each, the next instalment being payable in December, 1927.

The deed is in the same form as when passed upon by me under date of September 15, 1927; and as before advised, it is in all respects in proper form, and will, when delivered, pass good title to the State of Ohio in both tracts.

The abstract of title and deed are herewith returned.

Respectfully,

EDWARD C. TURNER,

Attorney General.