

eral contract, including plumbing and electrical work for rebuilding porches on cottages "G" and "6," Ohio Hospital for Epileptics, Gallipolis, Ohio, and calls for an expenditure of \$9,000.00.

You have submitted the certificate of the Director of Finance to the effect that there are unencumbered balances legally appropriated in a sum sufficient to cover the obligations of the contract. There has further been submitted a contract bond upon which Ralph W. Moore and J. Leo Child appear as sureties, sufficient to cover the amount of the contract.

You have further submitted evidence indicating that plans were properly prepared and approved, notice to bidders was properly given, bids tabulated as required by law and the contract duly awarded. Also it appears that the laws relating to the workmen's compensation have been complied with.

Finding said contract and bond in proper legal form, I have this day noted my approval thereon and return the same herewith to you, together with all other data submitted in this connection.

Respectfully,  
C. C. CRABBE,  
*Attorney General.*

3245.

SUPPLEMENT TO OPINION NO. 3175.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, April 3, 1926.

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

DEAR SIR:—In connection with the title discussed in the above opinion, you have submitted certain additional data which indicates that the taxes and assessments against the property mentioned are now paid in full.

The revised deed as now submitted contains the proper description, is in proper form and regularly executed, and when delivered, will be sufficient to convey the title to the State of Ohio.

I have also re-examined the abstract as now submitted, and am of the opinion that same shows a good and sufficient title to the premises under consideration in William T. Sawyer and William B. Haynes, the grantors.

The additional data to the abstract, the correct deed and other data submitted by you are herewith returned.

Respectfully,  
C. C. CRABBE,  
*Attorney General.*

3246.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ARE NOT AUTHORIZED TO PAY EXPERT WITNESS HIRED AND USED BY THE DEFENSE IN A CRIMINAL CASE. SECTION 2494 G. C. CONSTRUED.

*SYLLABUS:*

*Section 2494, General Code, was not intended to provide for payment of expert witnesses hired and used by the defense.*

COLUMBUS, OHIO, April 5, 1926.