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APPROVAL, WARRANTY DEED TO LAND OF D. S. WILLIAMSON IN
CEDARVILLE TOWNSHIP, GREENE COUNTY.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, August 26, 1929.

HON. H. C. SHETRONE, *Director, The Ohio State Archaeological and Historical Society, Columbus, Ohio.*

DEAR SIR:—This is to acknowledge receipt of a recent communication from your society, over the signature of Mr. H. R. McPherson, submitting for my examination and approval a warranty deed executed by one D. S. Williamson conveying to the Ohio State Archaeological and Historical Society a parcel of 0.71 acres of land situated in Survey No. 616, Cedarville Township, Greene County, Ohio, and bounded and described as follows:

“Beginning at an iron pin in the line of D. S. Williamson and J. H. & Disa Thordson, N. 48° 15' W. 491 feet from the corner of said Williamson and The Hagar Straw Board and Paper Company; thence with the said Williamson-Thordson line N. 48° 15' W. 191 feet to an iron pin in said line corner to said Williamson and also corner to said Thordson; thence S. 41° 45' W. 162 feet to an iron pin corner to said Williamson; thence S. 48° 15' E. 191 feet to an iron pin corner to said Williamson; thence N. 41° 45' E. 162 feet to the place of beginning. Containing 0.71 acres of land more or less.”

An examination of said deed shows that the same has been signed and otherwise properly acknowledged and executed by said D. S. Williamson, and that the same is in form sufficient to convey to the Ohio State Archaeological and Historical Society a fee simple title to the above described parcel of land free and clear of encumbrances and of all outstanding claims whatsoever. In this connection, I am advised that at the time of the execution of said deed said D. S. Williamson was and now is an unmarried man, and for this reason the property conveyed is not subject to any outstanding dower rights or interest.

It is noted that the stated consideration in said deed is one dollar and other valuable considerations. Inasmuch as, I am advised, the above described property is being donated to the said society, no exception is taken to the form of the above statement.

The authority of the Ohio State Archaeological and Historical society to accept the conveyance of this property is granted by the provisions of Section 10198-1, General Code, which provide that any incorporated association or society maintained by and operating for and on behalf of the State of Ohio, having for its purpose the preservation of prehistoric monuments or the exploration or examination of such prehistoric monuments with the view of collecting and preserving relics or artifacts found in such monuments, for educational and scientific purposes and for the use and benefit of the public, may acquire and hold any real estate in the State of Ohio which is the site of a prehistoric mound. The information at hand is that this deed is executed for the purpose of conveying to said society a prehistoric mound which the society desires to preserve for its use and that of the public.

You are, therefore, accordingly advised that said deed and the acceptance thereof by the Ohio State Archaeological and Historical Society is hereby approved by me.

Respectfully,

GILBERT BETTMAN,
Attorney General.