

Lot No. 20, of the Revised Plat of Minnewauken Island in Indian Lake; said Island being a part of Virginia Military Survey No. 12276, in Stokes Township, Logan County, Ohio.

Upon examination of this lease, I find that the same has been properly executed by the Conservation Commissioner and by Harry Backers, the lessee above named. I further find that, from an examination of the provisions of this lease and of the conditions and restrictions therein contained, the same are in conformity with Section 471, General Code, under the authority of which this lease is executed, and with other statutory enactments relating to leases of this kind. I am accordingly approving this lease as to legality and form as is evidenced by my approval endorsed upon the lease and upon the duplicate and triplicate copies thereof, all of which are herewith enclosed.

Respectfully,

JOHN W. BRICKER,

Attorney General.

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APPROVAL, ABSTRACT OF TITLE TO LAND OF BEREND BRAUER
AND JOSEPH G. RICKETTS, IN BROWN TOWNSHIP, PAULDING
COUNTY, OHIO.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, June 9, 1933.

HON. A. D. HOSTERMAN, *Chairman, Ohio Revolutionary Memorial Commission,
Springfield, Ohio.*

DEAR SIR:—This is to advise you that I have examined the Abstract of Title and a Warranty Deed, which you submitted to me covering the purchase of a parcel of 1.29 acres of land in the southwest quarter of Section 21, in Brown Township, Paulding County, Ohio.

Upon examination of the Abstract of Title submitted, I find that at the time of the conveyance of this parcel of land to the State of Ohio by Berend Brauer and Joseph G. Ricketts, these persons had a good merchantable fee 'simple title to this land, free and clear of all encumbrances except taxes for the last half of the year 1931 and taxes for the whole of the year 1932, on the 124.50 acre tract of land then owned by Berend Brauer and Joseph G. Ricketts in Brown Township, Paulding County, Ohio, of which the 1.29 acre tract purchased by your Commission for the State of Ohio, was a part; the taxes on said 124.50 acres for the last half of the year 1931 was, as stated in the abstract, the sum of \$65.33. I assume that the taxes for the whole of the year 1932, which were a lien upon this property at the time of the conveyance of this 1.29 acre tract of land to the State of Ohio, were approximately twice the figure above stated, with respect to the unpaid portion of the 1931 taxes. In addition to the taxes above noted on this 124.50 acre tract of land, there were assessments on said larger tract of land for the Patterson Road Improvement, in the sum of \$106.87. In addition to this it appears from the abstract that there were special taxes or assessments on this larger tract of land for the construction of the Bradford Road Improvement, which aggregated in amount the sum of \$63.75.

This 1.29 acre parcel of land became exempt from taxation as soon as the same was conveyed to the State of Ohio, however, some adjustment should be made with the County Auditor with respect to this parcel of land, so far as the taxes and assessments which were then a lien on the larger tract of land, are concerned. I assume that, this was done at the time of the execution and delivery of the deed, conveying this smaller parcel to the State of Ohio. If however, this had not been done, some adjustment with respect to these former taxes and assessments should be made, so that the same shall not stand as a lien on the small tract of land conveyed to the State of Ohio.

Upon examination of the Warranty Deed executed by Berend Brauer and Joseph G. Ricketts, I find that, the same has been properly executed and acknowledged by these grantors and by Jennie Brauer, the wife of the grantor first above named. I further find that, the form of this deed is such that it is legally sufficient to convey the property here in question to the State of Ohio by fee simple title, free and clear of all encumbrances whatsoever.

Inasmuch as the purchase price of this property which is recited in the deed as \$250.00, was apparently paid out of funds donated for the purpose, it was not necessary for your Commission to obtain the approval of the Board of Control of this purchase, nor was it necessary to encumber any funds of the state for this purpose.

I am herewith returning to you said Abstract of Title and Warranty Deed.

Respectfully,

JOHN W. BRICKER,

Attorney General.

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APPROVAL, BONDS OF SHAKER HEIGHTS VILLAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT, CUYAHOGA COUNTY, OHIO—\$5,000.00.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, June 9, 1933.

Retirement Board, State Teachers Retirement System, Columbus, Ohio.

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APPROVAL, NOTES OF ELYRIA TOWNSHIP RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, LORAIN COUNTY, OHIO—\$5,000.00.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, June 9, 1933.

Retirement Board, State Teachers Retirement System, Columbus, Ohio.