

of -----, as a result of said claim." The contract is one in which the compensation was dependent upon the allowance of the claim by the General Assembly. It is such a contract as is prohibited by the provisions of Section 6256-3, supra, and therefore is illegal and void.

It is therefore my opinion that

(1) Contracts for the employment of legal counsel for a village must be authorized by and in accordance with an ordinance or resolution of the village council which must be duly passed and entered upon the journal of proceedings of that body.

(2) A contract of employment by a village with an attorney at law, for the purpose of obtaining allowance by the General Assembly of a claim, in which contract the payment for the services rendered is contingent upon the allowance of such claim is void.

Respectfully,

EDWARD C. TURNER,  
*Attorney General.*

952.

APPROVAL, BONDS OF THE VILLAGE OF TORONTO, JEFFERSON COUNTY, OHIO—\$31,500.00.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, September 6, 1927.

*Industrial Commission of Ohio, Columbus, Ohio.*

953.

APPROVAL, LEASES TO OFFICE ROOMS IN CINCINNATI, CLEVELAND, LIMA, AKRON, MARTINS FERRY AND ZANESVILLE, OHIO, FOR USE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, September 6, 1927.

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

DEAR SIR:—You have submitted for my approval certain leases, as hereinafter set forth, granting to you as Director of Highways and Public Works, for the use of the Department of Industrial Relations, certain office rooms in several cities, as follows:

Lease from Val Duttonhofer, Jr., of Cincinnati, Ohio, for Rooms 97 and 98 on the ninth floor of the Duttonhofer building, Cincinnati, Ohio. This lease is for a term of eighteen (18) months, beginning on the 1st day of July, 1927, and ending on the 31st day of December, 1928, by the terms of which the state will be required to pay two hundred and forty dollars (\$240.00) per month on the first day of each and every month in advance.

Lease from The Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers Building Association of Cleveland, Ohio, for Rooms 1130, 1131, 1132, 1133, 1134, 1135, 1136, 1138, 1139, 1142 and 1143 on the eleventh floor of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers Bank Building, Cleveland, Ohio. This lease is for a term of eighteen (18) months, begin-