1969.

APPROVAL—BONDS CITY OF HAMILTON, BUTLER COUNTY, OHIO, \$21,000.00, PART OF ISSUE DATED JANUARY 1, 1934.

Columbus, Ohio, February 23, 1938.

The Industrial Commission of Ohio, Columbus, Ohio. Gentlemen:

RE: Bonds of City of Hamilton, Butler County, Ohio, \$21,000.00.

The above purchase of bonds appears to be part of an issue of bonds of the above city dated January 1, 1934. The transcript relative to this issue was approved by this office in an opinion rendered to the Teachers Retirement System under date of September 13, 1934, being Opinion No. 3204.

It is accordingly my opinion that these bonds constitute valid and legal obligations of said city.

Respectfully,
HERBERT S. DUFFY,
Attorney General.

1970.

APPROVAL—BONDS FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO, \$19,000.00, PART OF ISSUE DATED MARCH 15, 1937.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, February 23, 1938.

The Industrial Commission of Ohio, Columbus, Ohio. Gentlemen:

RE: Bonds of Franklin County, Ohio, \$19,000.00.

The above purchase of bonds appears to be part of an issue of bonds of the above county dated March 15, 1937. The transcript relative to this issue was approved by this office in an opinion rendered to your commission under date of August 26, 1937, being Opinion No. 1066.

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It is accordingly my opinion that these bonds constitute valid and legal obligations of said county.

Respectfully,

HERBERT S. DUFFY,

Attorney General.

1971.

AID FOR THE AGED—WHERE RECIPIENT DECEASED—WARRANT FORGED—CASH OR PROCEEDS—REIMBURSEMENT—PROPERLY PAID TO ADMINISTRATOR OR EXECUTOR OF ESTATE.

SYLLABUS:

Where reimbursement on a warrant for old age assistance, which was eashed by a forged endorsement, is had by the Division of Aid for the Aged in the Department of Public Welfare, after the death of the recipient, the proceeds of such reimbursement should properly be paid to the administrator or executor of the estate of such deceased recipient.

Columbus, Ohio, February 23, 1938.

Honorable H. J. Berrodin, Chief Division of Aid for the Aged Department of Public Welfare, Columbus, Ohio.

DEAR SIR: Your communication of recent date requesting my opinion reads as follows:

"We have several cases of forged warrants where the payee, that is the recipient, is deceased, and question has been raised whether reimbursement for the forged warrant should be payable to the estate of the deceased recipient or to the Division to be placed in the pension fund.

"We have been holding that the proceeds of all warrants are the property of the recipient so long as living but upon death that the interest which they had in such warrants reverts to the state. In other words, under the provisions of Section 1359-27, the recipients have no vested right or interest in their aid and, therefore, the proceeds of all warrants belong to the recipient or the state.

"Please advise us whether we are correct in this opinion