DEAR SIR:—You have submitted for my examination and approval a certain lease No. 2281, executed by Edward Le Retilley and Elle Le Retilley of Tuscarawas Township, Coshocton County, Ohio, to the state of Ohio, on a parcel of land in said township and county, containing 52.62 acres of land. By this lease, which is one for a term of five (5) years, this land is leased and demised to the state solely for state game refuge purposes; and it is noted in this connection that acting under the provisions of section 1435-1 and other related sections of the General Code, the Conservation Council, acting through you as Conservation Commissioner, has set this property aside as a state game and bird refuge during the term of said lease.

Upon examination of this lease, I find that the same has been properly executed and acknowledged by said lessors and by the Conservation Council, acting on behalf of the state through you as Commissioner, with the following exception:

It will be noted that the signatures of the lessors were not acknowledged on the duplicate copy thereof. The statutes of Ohio provide that all leases which are for a period exceeding three years shall be signed by the lessor and such signing acknowledged by him in the presence of two witnesses who shall attest the signing and subscribe their names to such attestation. I therefore suggest that the copy bearing the acknowledgment of the lessors be retained by you and the copy wherein the lessors fail to acknowledge, be sent to the lessors.

I am accordingly approving this lease as to legality and form with the above exception, as is evidenced by my approval endorsed upon the lease, and am returning herewith the original and duplicate copy thereof.

Respectfully,

JOHN W. BRICKER,

Attorney General.

4353.

APPROVAL, LEASE TO LAND IN GROTON TOWNSHIP, ERIE COUNTY, OHIO, FOR STATE GAME REFUGE PURPOSES—MRS. C. M. FORD.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, June 21, 1935.

Hon. L. Wooddell, Conservation Commissioner, Division of Conservation, Columbus, Ohio.

DEAR SIR:—You have submitted for my examination and approval a certain lease No. 2272, executed by one Mrs. C. M. Ford, of Groton Township, Erie County, Ohio, to the state of Ohio, on a parcel of land in said township and county, containing 57.5 acres of land. By this lease, which is one for a term of five years, this land is leased and demised to the state solely for state game refuge purposes; and it is noted in this connection that acting under the provisions of Section 1435-1 and other related sections of the General Code, the Conservation Council, acting through you as Conservation Commissioner, has set this property aside as a state game and bird refuge during the term of said lease.

Upon examination of this lease, I find that the same has been properly executed and acknowledged by said lessor and by the Conservation Council acting on behalf of the state through you as Commissioner.

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 copy thereof, both of which are herewith returned.

Respectfully,

JOHN W. BRICKER,

Attorney General.

4354.

APPROVAL, LEASE TO LAND IN GROTON TOWNSHIP, ERIE COUNTY, OHIO, FOR STATE GAME REFUGE PURPOSES—MAE M. HIGGINS.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, June 21, 1935.

HON. L. WOODDELL, Conservation Commissioner, Division of Conservation, Columbus, Ohio.

DEAR SIR:—You have submitted for my examination and approval a certain lease No. 2282, executed by one E. F. DeYo, attorney in fact for Mae M. Higgins of Groton Township, Erie County, Ohio, to the state of Ohio, on a parcel of land in said township and county, containing a total of 113.33 acres of land. By this lease, which is one for a term of five (5) years, this land is leased and demised to the state solely for state game refuge purposes; and it is noted in this connection that acting under the provisions of section 1435-1 and other related sections of the General Code, the Conservation Council, acting through you as Conservation Commissioner, has set this property aside as a state game and bird refuge during the term of said lease.

Upon examination of this lease, I find that the same has been properly executed and acknowledged by said lessor and by the Conservation Council acting on behalf of the state through you as Commissioner.

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 copy thereof, both of which are herewith returned.

Respectfully,

JOHN W. BRICKER,

Attorney General.

4355.

APPROVAL, LEASES TO LAND IN CENTER AND PULASKI TOWNSHIPS, WILLIAMS COUNTY, OHIO, FOR STATE GAME REFUGE PURPOSES.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, June 21, 1935.

Hon. L. Wooddell, Conservation Commissioner, Division of Conservation, Columbus, Ohio.

DEAR SIR:—You have submitted for my examination and approval certain leases executed to the State of Ohio by several property owners in Center and Pulaski Town-