After an examination of said abstract it is the opinion of this department that the title to said premises is shown to be in the name of Goodwin M. Roberts and Mathew S. Roberts, free from encumbrances excepting the taxes for the year 1922, which of course constitute a lien.

Examination has also been made of the deed submitted, which is believed to be properly executed and sufficient to convey the interests of the said owners to the state.

Encumbrance Estimate No. 3282 has been submitted, which contains a certificate of the Director of Finance relative to the unencumbered balances legally appropriated in the sum of \$1,500.00 to cover the purchase price.

The abstract, deed and encumbrance estimate are being returned herewith.

Respectfully,

JOHN G. PRICE,

Attorney-General.

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STATUS, ABSTRACT OF TITLE, PREMISES SITUATE IN FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP, ROSS COUNTY, VIRGINIA MILITARY DISTRICT, BEING 166 ACRES OF LAND.

Columbus, Ohio, August 3, 1922.

Hon. Carl E. Steeb, Secretary Board of Control, Ohio Agricultural Experiment Station, Columbus, Ohio.

DEAR SIR:—You have submitted an abstract which was last continued by Lyle S. Evans, abstractor, June 13, 1922, inquiring as to the status of the title to the following described premises, as disclosed by said abstract:

"Being 166 acres situated in Franklin township, Ross county, Ohio, being a part of survey No. 13441 of the Virginia Military District, more fully described on the caption page of said abstract and in the deed, which are enclosed herewith."

According to the abstract the title to said premises is in the name of George W. Lepley, free from encumbrances excepting taxes for the year 1922, which are unpaid and a lien.

The deed submitted has also been examined and it is believed to be sufficient to convey the interests of the said owner to the state when properly delivered. However, it is noted that the consideration named therein is \$1.00. In view of this situation it will be necessary for you to take his matter up with the auditor in order that their records may not be confused on this account.

You have submitted encumbrance estimate No. 3327, which contains the certificate of the Director of Finance to the effect that there are unencumbered balances legally appropriated in the sum of \$1,162.00 to cover the purchase of said premises.

The abstract, deed and encumbrance estimate are being returned herewith.

You, of course, should determine, in the event that the deed is accepted, that there are no matters of record affecting the title to said premises since the date of the abstract.

Respectfully,

JOHN G. PRICE,

Attorney-General.