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Said abstract of title and deeds are herewith returned, together with other opinions, and all the files relating to the other lots and parcels of land in connection with the Fort Jefferson project.

Respectfully,

GILBERT BETTMAN, Attorney General.

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APPROVAL, ABSTRACT OF TITLE TO LAND OF GREENVILLE HIS-TORICAL SOCIETY IN NEAVE TOWNSHIP, DARKE COUNTY.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, January 27, 1930.

HON. HARRY D. SILVER, Director of Finance, Columbus, Ohio.

DEAR SIR:—There has been submitted for my consideration and approval a corrected abstract of title and warranty deeds relating to a certain tract of land in Neave Township, Darke County, Ohio, which is owned of record by the Greenville Historical Society, and which parcel of land covering 3.349 acres, more or less, is more particularly described in Opinion No. 1119 of this office directed to you under date of October 29th 1929.

In the former opinion of this office above referred to, the title of the Greenville Historical Society in and to said tract of land was disapproved for the reasons therein pointed out. A very considerable amount of additional information is set out in said abstract of title and made a part thereof. Upon consideration of the abstract of title relating to this tract of land as amplified by the additions and corrections therein made, I am of the opinion that the Greenville Historical Society has a good and merchantable fee simple title to the tract of land above referred to, subject only to the taxes for the year 1929, the amount of which is not set out in said abstract.

I have examined the warranty deed executed by the Greenville Historical Society covering the tract of land here in question and find that the same has been properly executed and that it is in form sufficient to convey to the State of Ohio a fee simple title to said tract of land, free and clear of all incumbrances.

No encumbrance estimate has been submitted to me with respect to the proposed purchase and acquisition of the tract of land here in question or with respect to any of the other lots and parcels of land to be acquired by the State as a part of the Fort Jefferson project. Before the transaction relating to the purchase of any of said lots or parcels of land in connection with this project is closed such encumbrance estimates should be prepared and submitted to this office for approval.

With the abstract of title covering the tract of land here in question and the other lots and parcels, I am returning the deeds covering the particular tract of land under investigation in this opinion.

Respectfully, Gilbert Bettman, Attorney General.