DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Circular No. 3534 pate 1-18-28 TO UNITED STATES ATTORNEYS AND FIELD ATTORNEYS OF THE LANDS DIVISION ENGAGED IN THE ACQUISITION OF LAND

In the great number of condemnation and direct purchase cases which are now pending (the Lands Division has 2,567 condemnation cases, embracing 22,055 tracts, and 3,899 title opinions as of July 26, 1941), there are innumerable problems arising in the field, the solutions for which ought to be disseminated to all field attorneys and United States District Autorneys for their convenience. This would avoid needless duplication of work and delay in solving the same problems.

Toward this end, bulletins will be sent out on subjects of common interest when matters arise which seem to be of sufficient value to send to the field. While I am somewhat reluctant to trouble you with further instructions or advice from this office, the inquiries from the field have disclosed a real need for this type of information service.

For example, there is not a common understanding as to whether or not defendants may assign as security their interest in funds deposited in courts in declaration of taking cases. A bulletin is being prepared for mailing to the field on this and one or two other matters of common interest. These bulletins will be numbered for future convenience in referring to them.

A notebook is being sent to you for the purpose of filing these bulletins as they come out so that you will have them for ready reference.

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