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ATTORNEY GENERAL, STATE OF TEXAS
PRICE DANIEL, SR. BUILDING
P.O. BOX 12548
AUSTIN, TEXAS 78701

RE: Request for an Attorney General's Opinion

Dear Sirs:

I hereby request an Attorney General Opinion on the following issue.

Delta County has space in the court house that is not being presently used for county business. The commissioners court is presently considering renting the space out to a title company to use as an abstract office. The commissioner has requested I make this inquiry on their behalf to determine how they may act in this matter.

There is only one title company in Delta County as of this time and the commissioners court have posted an item addressing the issue on their enclosed agenda. (see exhibit "A" attached) So I assume that will be the one they are considering.

It is my understanding the title company will be allowed to move all its records, office equipment and personal to the court house. The title company will be allowed to conduct the normal business of a title company such as, preparing closing papers, issue title insurance and any other matters normally concerned with running a privately owned title company.

The owner of the title company is also an attorney and he has inquired if it is possible to rent the space for a title company, may he also practice law out of the title company located the courthouse.

Your earliest consideration of the above issue would be greatly appreciated as we are awaiting you answer before we act.

Yours truly,


Frank D. Moore