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Anchorage, Alaska

November 7, 1957

Mr. Andrew C. Divine
Assistant District Engineer
Bureau of Public Roads
Department of Commerce
Glennallen, Alaska

Dear Sir:

Attached is a carbon copy of our letter to William Dittman. We hope that this will resolve the issue

If this does not obtain the desired results we feel that trespass action would then have to be initiated against Mr. Dittman by your office.

Very truly yours,

L. T. Main
Operations Supervisor, Anchorage

Attachment: ltr to Mr. Dittman

Anchorage Operations Office
Box 480
Anchorage, Alaska

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Certified Mail
Return Receipt Requested

Mr. William Dittman
General Delivery
Glennallen, Alaska

Dear Mr. Dittman:

We have received information that indicates you might be constructing a house within the Richardson Highway right-of-way. The Richardson Highway right-of-way adjacent to your homestead has a total width of 300 feet or 150 feet from the center line to each side.

Public Law 601 of August 10, 1949 withdrew a strip 150 feet wide on each side of the center line of the Richardson Highway. Therefore, if your building is being constructed within 150 feet of the center line, you are in trespass of the highway right-of-way withdrawal.

I assume that the building that you are constructing is the house in which you are going to claim residence on your homestead. As you know, in order to qualify for final proof and patent on your homestead, residence must be maintained on the land. The time during which you may reside on the highway right-of-way withdrawal, therefore, cannot count for residence on your homestead.

I therefore urge you to examine carefully the location of your building and be sure that it is set more than 150 feet from the center line of the existing road. If you have any questions pertaining to the right-of-way width at this location or to the description of your homestead application, please contact this office.

Very truly yours,

L. T. Main
Operations Supervisor, Anchorage

CC: Bureau of Public Roads
Glennallen, Alaska

Anchorage L.O.