

April 23, 1957

Memorandum No. 7

Subject: Study No. <sup>36</sup>~~34~~ (Condemnation  
Law and Procedure)

You will recall that at the March meeting we decided to contract with Mr. Stanley S. Burrill to do this study for us. Shortly after we sent the contract to him for signature we learned of his untimely death.

Attached are copies of some correspondence which we have had on this matter since. As it shows, Mr. Burrill's firm has offered to do the study for us. We asked Joe Ball whether he had any other person to suggest and his reply in the negative is attached.

Tom Stanton and I have discussed the matter and join in recommending that we go ahead with the firm of Hill, Farrer & Burrill. We would like to have the Commission act on this recommendation at its meeting this week.

Respectfully submitted,

John R. McDonough, Jr.  
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April 10, 1957

MR. JOHN R. MC DONOUGH, JR.  
CALIFORNIA LAW REVISION COMMISSION  
Executive Secretary  
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Dear John:

I understand that Mr. Burill has developed an excellent condemnation department. He has surrounded himself with able assistants. I had come to the conclusion that the best procedure was to leave the research with the firm. The men in the condemnation department of that firm are familiar with the study and have already undertaken some of the research.

Cordially,

/s/ Joseph A. Ball

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March 12, 1957

Mr. John R. McDonough, Jr.  
Executive Secretary  
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Dear Professor McDonough:

It is with a great deal of sorrow that we inform you of the passing on March 2nd, 1957 of our loved and respected partner Stanley S. Burrill. Mr. Burrill suffered a heart attack while in San Diego, where he had gone to try a lengthy and complicated case.

We have at hand your letter of March 6th, 1957 addressed to Mr. Burrill, and the accompanying contracts for the research study he was to undertake. We realize that your arrangements were for the employment of Mr. Burrill personally, and we are therefore returning the contracts and papers submitted with your letter. We regret that he will be unable to serve you because we know that he would have rendered, as he always did, a thorough and competent service.

We are sorry for the disruption that this may cause to your careful planning and scheduling. If we can in any way serve to lighten your burden, we will be most happy to do anything we can. We are in a position to carry the study forward, if it would be of help to you. The study outline which was previously forwarded to you was drafted by three attorneys in our Condemnation Department for Mr. Burrill's approval. These men are Mr. Robert Nibley, Mr. Albert J. Day and Mr. John McLaurin, all of whom specialize in condemnation law and have had many years experience. We are in a position to offer you their services if such are desired by the Commission. In such case it would be necessary for us to ask for

Mr. John R. McDonough

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a 90-day extension of the Commission's deadline for the report, since Mr. Burrill's passing has imposed an extra work load on the department.

If we can assist in this or any other respect, please do not hesitate to let us know.

Sincerely,

/s/ W. M. Farrer  
of  
HILL, FARRER & BURRILL

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Enclosures