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Memorandum 72-72

Subject: Termination of Research Contract

We made a contract with Mr. Joseph B. Harvey, former Assistant Executive Secretary of the Law Revision Commission, to prepare a background study on problems arising out of divided interests in property acquired by eminent domain. Mr. Harvey advises us that he will be unable to prepare the background study; the pressure of his regular practice does not permit time to prepare the study.

The staff recommends that the Executive Secretary should be authorized to execute the necessary documents on behalf of the Commission to terminate the contract, thus relieving both the state and Mr. Harvey of any further obligations under the contract.

We believe that the preparation of a background study on the subject matter of the Harvey contract will be a difficult task. We have been unable to find a consultant who we believe could prepare an adequate study on the subject. Accordingly, we plan to prepare a staff study on the matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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Executive Secretary