OPINION 51-173

November 15, 1951 (OPINION)

TAXATION

RE: Estate Tax - Joint Tenancy, Death Certificate, When Filed

Your letter of the 13th inst. requesting an opinion as to the construction of section 47--1906 as amended by chapter 279 S. L. 1951 has been received.

It is our opinion that, under the amended section, in the case of the death of a joint tenant, a death certificate cannot be filed or recorded to clear the record title unless an estate tax determination of the county court or the tax commissioner has also been filed.

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