

Claim deed never signed

Lipin sued by state over plot

The State Roads Commission has filed suit against Sen. Alfred A. Lipin, complaining he was paid by the state for a small plot of land but has refused to complete the paperwork on the deal for more than a year.

The suit maintains the Glen Burnie Democrat has ignored three requests by the commission to sign over the deed to the property, although he

collected the \$8,744 sale price in December, 1974.

Lipin said yesterday, "We've signed over everything they need. It's a misunderstanding."

According to the suit, the state purchased 1,567 square feet of land from Lipin to widen and improve the intersection of Crain Highway and Quarterfield Road in Glen Burnie.

Lipin at first contested the

condemnation, then agreed to the price and accepted the money. Since then, however, the suit says Lipin and his wife have not signed the deed to complete the transaction.

Filed with the suit were copies of three letters addressed to Lipin and his wife. The letters, dated Jan. 27, April 28, and Aug. 13, 1975, ask Lipin to execute the deed. The last two letters state that a duplicate deed was enclosed in case the original was lost.

Lipin has still not complied with the requests, the suit says. It asks for a court order to force the senator to sign the deed.

Lipin said yesterday "If there's something that has to be signed, we'll do it. But as far as

we are concerned, we filed the necessary legal documents a year ago. It's a misunderstanding on their part."

Lipin said "I don't recall" the three letters last year asking

for the signed deed.

The construction of the intersection was not delayed, and is now completed. Lipin said there is no dispute over the ownership of the land.