

File No. 19368

Baltimore, March 6, 1916.

Hon. S. S. Field,
City Solicitor.

Dear Sir:

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In reply to your letter of March 3rd, in reference to the assumption by the City, under the Annexation Bill, of any bonded indebtedness of Anne Arundel County under certain Acts, I beg to advise you as follows:

The Act of 1898, Ch. 522, provides a loan for school houses in the Fifty District, to the amount of \$25,000.

The Act of 1908, Ch. 426, provides a loan of \$5,000, also for school houses.

The Act of 1904, Ch. 270, provides a loan for school houses of \$15,000, and the Act of 1914 provides for a loan of \$20,000 for school houses.

Under these Acts quite a large proportion of these loans must have been paid off. A bond issued for these amounts was issued by the County Commissioners and is, in reality, a debt of the County, and not of the Fifty District alone.

In my opinion, no lien exists against the property situated in the Fifty District, and as under the Annexation Bill all public property is to be paid for by the City, I am of the opinion that the City would not assume any bonded indebtedness created by any of said Acts.

Very truly yours,
(Signed) Alexander Preston,
Deputy City Solicitor.