

Mr. Howard C. Beck, Jr., City Auditor (cont'd)

Baltimore City, as well as the constables, are charged with the responsibility of enforcing the provisions of the license law.

It is, accordingly, suggested that you request Mr. Robey, the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas, to ask Attorney General Hall Hammond for an official ruling in reference to the collection of fees by the Clerk for the Sheriff of Baltimore City when issuing licenses. It is likewise suggested that you call to the attention of the Chief Inspector of the State License Bureau, Mr. Mathew A. Powers, your observations and comments in reference to the few theatrical licenses which were taken out in Baltimore City in proportion to the number of theatrical shows and performances which we know are being conducted in Baltimore City.

Very truly yours,

/s/ THOMAS N. BIDDISON

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City Solicitor

File No. 87138

March 30, 1951

Board of Trustees  
Employees' Retirement System  
Room 213 City Hall  
Baltimore 2, Maryland

RE: William A. Larkins, deceased  
Registry No. 43755

Gentlemen:

Reference is made to your letter of February 27, 1951, requesting an opinion whether an amount equal to 50% of his average final compensation is legally due the estate of William A. Larkins, who died November 4, 1950. This amount, sometimes called "death benefit", is not payable to the estate of a deceased member unless "the member has had one or more years of creditable service". Section 6, Subsection 8(a) of the Pension Ordinance.

The facts appear to be that Mr. Larkins became a member of the Employees'