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RE: Opinion request for definition of "contiguous land" and "tract of land" (K.S.A. 82a-405 and K.S.A. 1973 Supp. 82a-409)

Dear Mr. Lorentz:

You have requested from this office a definition of the term "contiguous land" as used in K.S.A. 82a-405 and K.S.A. 1973 Supp. 82a-409. I enclose an opinion prepared by this office in 1961 which I believe sets out an accurate definition of said term.

Further, you have asked for a definition of the phrase "tract of land". We find nothing within the meaning of K.S.A. 82a-405 and K.S.A. 1973 Supp. 82a-409 to indicate that the employment of this term should be technical rather than its approved usage. Accordingly, it is our opinion that the term means a lot, piece or parcel of land. [State, ex rel., v. City of Topeka, 175 Kan. 488, 492, 493, 264 P.2d 901 (1953); 42 Words and Phrases, "Tract" 209.] The term itself however does not import precise dimension (Black's Law Dictionary).

Very truly yours,

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