

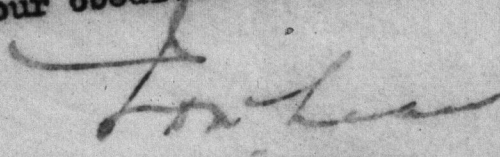
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Ottawa, 16th February, 1909.

Gentlemen,--

In compliance with the request contained in your letter of the 10th instant, I beg to transmit herewith copy of letter of the 10th November from the Deputy Minister of Justice stating certain regulations which must be complied with in order to admit of a settlement of the Seth Lacelle Estate. If evidence, such as indicated, is furnished there would appear to be no reason why the Estate could not be divided equally without further delay amongst the heirs, Mrs. Achewatch, Michael and Samuel Lacelle. This Department is, of course, cognizant of the fact of Mrs. Enos Whitey's death. It is, therefore, necessary to obtain an affidavit from some disinterested party (such as Mrs. Snake, mentioned in your letter of the 19th ult) to the effect that Mrs. Whitey received her share of the Estate, which fact would bar her son Robert from any right to share with the heirs above mentioned. In this connection I have to refer you to your letter of the 19th January and the Department's reply of the 28th of that month.

Your obedient servant,

  
Secretary.

Messrs. Boyce & Hayward,  
Barristers,  
Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.