

Opinion No. 25-3850

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TO: Requested August 25, 1925, by Hon. T. P. Delgado, State Game & Fish Warden, Santa Fe, N.M.

The State Game and Fish Warden has no legal authority to allow Officers of United States Army stationed at Fort Bliss, Texas, to purchase New Mexico resident hunting licenses.

OPINION

You request an opinion as to whether or not the State Game & Fish Warden has legal authority to allow officers of the United States Army, stationed at Fort Bliss, Texas, to purchase New Mexico resident hunting licenses.

This matter is covered by § 3, Chapter 133, Session Laws of 1919, which in part reads as follows:

"Any citizen of the United States who has been a bona fide resident of this State for six months then last past shall be entitled to procure a resident hunting or fishing license."

As the Officers in question are not residents of this State under the above quoted provision, the State Game and Fish Warden has no legal authority to allow officers of the United States Army stationed at Fort Bliss, Texas, to purchase New Mexico resident hunting licenses.