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BY: C. C. McCULLOH, Attorney General

TO: Mr. Fred J. Federici District Attorney Eighth Judicial District Raton, New Mexico

{*199} We are in receipt of your letter of March 2, 1946 in which you ask what procedure should be followed by an elector to replace his lost triplicate affidavit of registration.

Section 56-224 of the 1941 Compilation provides in part:

"In the event any registration affidavit should become lost, upon proper petition, the district court may direct the clerk to make a duplicate thereof from the duplicate files of such affidavits in his office."

In view of this provision and the fact that it is the only provision made for the replacement of lost copies of affidavits of registration, it is my opinion that it is exclusive and must be complied with by a voter in order to replace his lost copy of his affidavit of registration.

By ROBERT W. WARD,

Asst. Atty. General