

SEC. 3. No part of the amount appropriated in this Act shall be paid or delivered to or received by any agent or attorney on account of services rendered in connection with this claim, and the same shall be unlawful, any contract to the contrary notwithstanding. Any person violating the provisions of this Act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be fined in any sum not exceeding \$1,000.

Approved August 3, 1956.

## Private Law 858

## CHAPTER 957

## AN ACT

For the relief of Harry M. Caudill.

August 3, 1956  
[H. R. 6709]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Secretary of the Treasury is authorized and directed to pay, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to Harry M. Caudill, Whitesburg, Kentucky, the sum of \$330.90. Such sum represents reimbursement for expenses incurred by the said Harry M. Caudill in August 1946 in connection with an operation performed at the Norton Infirmary, Louisville, Kentucky. The said Harry M. Caudill was wounded in the left leg on May 16, 1944, while serving in the United States Army in Italy, and such operation, which surgeons of the Veterans' Administration refused to perform, was successful in bettering appreciably the condition of such leg: *Provided,* That no part of the amount appropriated in this Act shall be paid or delivered to or received by any agent or attorney on account of services rendered in connection with this claim, and the same shall be unlawful, any contract to the contrary notwithstanding. Any person violating the provisions of this Act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be fined in any sum not exceeding \$1,000.

Harry M. Caudill.

Approved August 3, 1956.

## Private Law 859

## CHAPTER 958

## AN ACT

To ratify and confirm the sale of certain real property of the United States.

August 3, 1956  
[H. R. 9631]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* The conveyance of the real property of the United States evidenced by the deed dated April 4, 1947, conveying certain real property of the United States to Steve Larsson Homer, filed for record in the office of the United States Commissioner and ex-officio recorder of Skagway, Alaska, in volume 13 of deeds, pages 264 to 265, inclusive, is hereby ratified and confirmed as of April 4, 1947.

Steve L. Homer.

Approved August 3, 1956.

## Private Law 860

## CHAPTER 959

## AN ACT

For the relief of Mr. and Mrs. Randall McMahon.

August 3, 1956  
[H. R. 10898]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That if Mr. and

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dall McMahon.  
65 Stat. 33.  
38 USC 851 note.

Mrs. Randall McMahon, Bonham, Texas, waive their respective rights to receive payments under the Servicemen's Indemnity Act of 1951 (which waiver is hereby authorized) arising out of the death of their son, John Michael McMahon (Veterans' Administration claim numbered XC19213917), and repay to the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs all amounts paid to them under such Act for periods before such waiver becomes effective, then Mrs. Randall McMahon shall be relieved of liability to repay to the United States the amounts erroneously paid to her by reason of the death of the said John Michael McMahon under the National Service Life Insurance Act of 1940.

54 Stat. 1008.  
38 USC 818.

38 USC 851 note.

SEC. 2. After such waiver becomes effective, no amounts shall be payable under the Servicemen's Indemnity Act of 1951 to any person by reason of the death of the said John Michael McMahon. The Administrator of Veterans' Affairs shall transfer from the current appropriation made for payment of servicemen's indemnities to the revolving fund established pursuant to section 621 of the National Service Life Insurance Act of 1940 (65 Stat. 37) as amended (38 U. S. C. 822) amounts sufficient to reimburse such fund for the liability for which the said Mrs. Randall McMahon is relieved by the first section of this Act.

Approved August 3, 1956.

Private Law 861

CHAPTER 960

August 3, 1956  
[H. R. 11489]

AN ACT

To exempt from taxation certain property of the American Institute of Architects in the District of Columbia.

American Institute of Architects.  
Tax exemption.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That certain property in the District of Columbia described as lot numbered 833 in square numbered 170 together with the improvements thereon, known as the Octagon House and outbuildings, and the furniture, furnishings, and other personal property therein, owned by the American Institute of Architects, a nonprofit corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of New York, shall be exempt from taxation, national and municipal, so long as the same is owned by said American Institute of Architects and is not used for commercial purposes or for the general business activities of said institute, subject to the proviso that said institute shall maintain the said Octagon House and outbuildings as historical buildings which shall be preserved for their architectural and historical significance, which buildings shall be accessible to members of the general public without charge or payment of a fee of any kind at such reasonable hours and under such regulations as may, from time to time, be prescribed by said institute, subject to the provisions of sections 2, 3, and 5 of the Act entitled "An Act to define the real property exempt from taxation in the District of Columbia", approved December 24, 1942 (56 Stat. 1091; D. C. Code, secs. 47-801b, 47-801c, and 47-801e).

Approved August 3, 1956.

Private Law 862

CHAPTER 961

August 3, 1956  
[H. R. 11821]

AN ACT

For the relief of Esterlee Hutzler Weinhoeppel.

Esterlee H. Weinhoeppel.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Act entitled