

FSA-2344 5 (XX-XX-XX)		U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE Farm Service Agency	<i>Position</i>
PRELIMINARY TITLE OPINION			
1. Applicant's exact full legal name		2. Address of property covered by opinion	
3. County			

4. I have examined title to the real property described in the attached **Schedule A** and, if the security included water rights, the water rights are described in the attached **Schedule B** (such real property, water rights, or both, called "the property"), offered as security in connection with a loan to be made by the United States of America, acting through the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Farm Service Agency (called "Government").
5. My examination covered the period commencing with (a) _____ filed for record on (b) _____, at (c) _____ ☐ AM ☐ PM, to _____, at (e) _____ ☐ AM ☐ PM.
(d) _____
6. Based on said examination and any additional information concerning the title which has come to my attention, it is my opinion that title to the property, subject only to the encumbrances, reservations, exceptions, and defects, and the provisions of any security instrument authorizing future advances which would have priority over the proposed Government security instrument, all of which are set forth at the end of the description, is vested in the following party:
7. In order to vest good and marketable title in fact to the property in the applicant as required or permitted by Government, subject only to the encumbrances, exceptions, and reservations which under written authorization from Government may remain outstanding, the following satisfactions, releases, payments, quit claim deeds, warranty deeds, or affidavits or other conveyances or curative instruments, must be obtained and, unless otherwise indicated, recorded:
8. The names of the parties, in addition to the applicant, who must execute the security instrument in order to give Government a lien free and clear of dower, courtesy and homestead rights, are:
9. I will assist in closing the loan and promptly render a supplemental opinion covering the interval from the terminal date of the search covered by this Opinion to the time when the real estate security instrument and any other necessary instruments executed in connection with the loan are filed for record.
10. I have made the title examination, and issue this Opinion. This Opinion is issued expressly for the benefit of the above-named applicant and Government and I assume liability to each hereunder.

10(a) Signature

10(b) Date

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