

NOTICE

MEMORANDUM

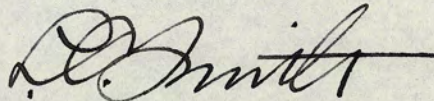
July 2, 1941

Remitter: Robert N. Linsenmeyer (43092)  
Title: "Aviation Credit Corporation of St. Louis,  
Insta-Check." (43092) Class A  
Question: Is the deposit a blank form?

The copy is of the size and appearance of the usual check-book, consisting of a front and back cover between which are stapled a number of blank checks. The copyright notice appears upon each of the blank checks. No notice appears upon the cover. There is sufficient text matter upon the cover to justify registration under Class A.

Mrs. Brady and Mr. MacCarteney are of the opinion that the copyright notice refers to the blank form and not to the text appearing upon the folder, and that therefore the work should be rejected as a blank form. Mr. Smith, however, notes that the copyright notice appearing upon the first check is in such a position that it can be held the applicant has complied with the law in that the notice does appear on the page immediately following the title page. There is a slight amount of text matter upon the check; however, it must be, and is admitted by all members of the Board, that the check deposited alone would be rejected as a blank form. In the past, this Office has accepted books of blank forms if somewhere in the copy there was some text matter which was copyrightable. The applicant was not required to specifically limit the claim of copyright. The applicant in the present case should, therefore, be given the benefit of the doubt. That is the opinion of Mr. Smith, who holds that registration should be made as applied for.

Respectfully submitted



Chairman, Revisory Board

Notice applicable to blank form. Notice repeated on each form.  
Reject. (WEW, 7-9-41)

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