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[CHAPTER 846]

AN ACT

For the relief of Charles E. Names.

August 26, 1937
[H. R. 1858]
[Private, No. 376]

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 Charles E. Names the sum of $225, in full settlement of all claims against the United States for the loss of an article of mail registered at the Osceola (Iowa) post office on April 29, 1920, which contained certain abstracts of title to lands owned by the said Charles E. Names. The postmaster at such post office was held responsible for the full amount of the loss, but the amount of the judgment recovered against him was inadvertently covered into the general fund of the Treasury as "Fines, penalties, and forfeitures", and the said Charles E. Names has never been reimbursed for the cost of new abstracts of title: *Provided*, That the Comptroller General of the United States is hereby authorized and directed to cancel post office settlement warrant numbered 10581 in favor of Banta and Banta (E. G. Banta, successor), Osceola, Iowa, in the sum of $50: *Provided further*, That no part of the amount appropriated in this Act in excess of 10 per centum thereof shall be paid or delivered to or received by any agent or agents, attorney or attorneys, on account of services rendered in connection with said claim. It shall be unlawful for any agent or agents, attorney or attorneys, to exact, collect, withhold, or receive any sum of the amount appropriated in this Act in excess of 10 per centum thereof on account of services rendered in connection with said claim, 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.

Charles E. Names.
Payment to.

Provisos.
Cancelation of settlement warrant.

Limitation on attorney's, etc., fees.

Penalty for violation.

Approved, August 26, 1937.

[CHAPTER 847]

AN ACT

For the relief of Oliver Z. Hoge.

August 26, 1937
[H. R. 2195]
[Private, No. 377]

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 Oliver Z. Hoge, of Staunton, Virginia, the sum of $1,500, in full settlement of all claims against the United States for damages sustained by him as the result of personal injuries received in a fall, on September 19, 1936, down an unprotected and unlighted outside stairway at the rear of the post-office building in Staunton, Virginia: *Provided*, That no part of the amount appropriated in this Act in excess of 10 per centum thereof 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.

Oliver Z. Hoge.
Payment to.

Proviso.
Limitation on attorney's, etc., fees.

Penalty for violation.

Approved, August 26, 1937.