

acres, and Interstate 80 went right through mine, left part of it on each side. I went through the same thing, was condemned.

SENATOR MATZKE: Okay.

SENATOR JONES: And I took the bid, first bid, but I understood I could have appealed again after the three came out and looked at it and they could have give me...I could have went back and took another figure, or took another court case or something, I don't remember, it's been 20 some, 30 years ago. How...what's the next step on it, if they don't...if you don't accept the...what they bid?

SENATOR MATZKE: Well, they have to make you an offer...

SENATOR JONES: Um-huh.

SENATOR MATZKE: ...to begin with before there's any court procedure.

SENATOR JONES: Right.

SENATOR MATZKE: And if you turn down that offer then they file their condemnation proceedings with the county court, county court appoints three appraisers. The appraisers go out and view the land and they make their return to the court on the value.

SENATOR JONES: Okay.

SENATOR MATZKE: And then before the condemning authority, which is the state, or in this case would be this board, before they can take possession they have to put the money, they have to deposit it into court, and all you have to do is just walk into court and pick up your money.

SENATOR JONES: See, I took...

SENATOR MATZKE: And if you don't...if the appraisers don't appraise it high enough, you have the right to appeal that to the district court, and then in the district court you can have a jury trial.

SENATOR JONES: And then whatever they decide, that's what you take, don't matter whether it's higher or lower than the appraisers?