§ 2:7. — Public highways and roads

The Trust Doctrine has also been applied in the case of public highways and roads. In Jefferson County v Tennessee Valley Authority, 11 the court noted that, "The state or its political subdivision holds, as a trustee, title to the easement for public highways and roads. A quasi corporation such as a city or county, holds such property by delegation of the general sovereign power, the authority for its acquisition and control being governmental and the interest exclusively that of the public."

11. 146 F2d 564 (1945. CA6 Tenn), cert den 324 US 871, 89 L Ed 1425, 65 S Ct 1016, reh den 324 US 891, 89 L Ed 1438, 65 S Ct 1024.