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Mr. Robert E. Ahern  
C.O Board of Registration  
Portland, Maine

Dear Sir:

In response to your letter of May 18, in which you ask as to whether the members of your board can legally be members of the city committees of the city, and in which you call my attention to Section 7 of Chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes, I would respectfully refer you to Section 8 of the same chapter which, among other things, provides that,-

"Each shall be nominated by the city committee of his own political party, and upon due notice thereof in writing, the several mayors of said cities shall forthwith appoint such persons so nominated, members of said board."

It is also provided in said Section 8, that the members of the board of registration "shall not hold any state, county or city office or be candidates therefor at any election, primary election or caucus so long as they shall continue members of said board".

From the foregoing it would seem to me that members of the board of registration cannot legally be members of the city committee owing to the provision that the city committee nominates at least two members of the board.

Very truly yours,

Deputy Attorney General

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