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June 6, 1939

To Elmer W. Campbell, Chief Clerk, Board of Barbers and Hairdressers
Re: Applications on Moving to Larger Town

In your letter of June 1st, you quote a vote of the Board of Barbers and Hairdressers as follows:

"All barbers who have the required experience in exempted areas be given a license by paying the required fee, without examination, this vote to take effect when and if approved by the Attorney General."

From my telephone conversation with you I understand that you intended this vote to apply to individuals who have been conducting business in a town of less than one thousand inhabitants and who have, therefore, not been compelled to have licenses and who now desire to move into a larger town in which barbers are required to be licensed.

In spite of the fact that these people have not applied prior to January 1, 1938, as required by Section 30 of Chapter 190, P. L. 1937, I believe that your Board should accept applications from such persons in exempted areas who can prove that they had been continuously engaged in the practice of barbering for two years immediately preceding the first day of January, 1938.

I do not believe that you have any authority to grant a license to a barber who lives in an exempted area and who is not planning to move out of that area ~~and~~ into a place where a license is required, and if you do decide to issue licenses to applicants who are now in an exempted area and are planning to stay there, you should not treat the holders of such licenses on any different basis than you would treat a person in an exempted area who has not received and paid for a license which he is not required to hold under the Act.

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Attorney General

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