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Hon. William W. Gallagher  
Assistant Attorney General  
Augusta, Maine

Dear Bill:

I have your letter of October 24th.

A hasty examination of the statute set out in your pamphlet seems to fully justify you in a decision that the State Liquor Commission has no authority to grant permits to officers' clubs and industrial establishments located in this State to transport and import spirituous and vinous liquors from some point outside the State.

Sections 1 and 3 of Chapter 223, Public Laws of 1937, as cited on page 43 of the pamphlet of the Maine Liquor Commission Laws, seems to take care of the matter.

The section which appears on pages 4 and 5 of the pamphlet, and marked as Section 3, seems to indicate how far the Commission can go in the granting of permits for transportation. This section limits the power of the Commission to the granting of a permit to an "individual". Upon application of such "individual" for permission to transport liquor purchased "for his own personal use."

This opinion at which I have arrived seems to me the more justified in as much as it is also the opinion expressed by you in your letter of the 24th.

Make your ruling based on your interpretation of the law and stick to it.

Very truly yours,

Attorney General

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