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To Kenneth P. Haskell, D. C.

We are in receipt of your letter of February 13, 1953, in which you request the opinion of this office concerning the three following questions:

1. Has the regulation of Chiropractic in Maine, during the last twenty-nine years, endangered in any way the health of the citizens of our State? Or have the citizens benefited?

2. Has the Maine Board of Examiners been diligent and effective in eliminating unethical practitioners and impostors from our State?

3. Have educational standards been voluntarily raised consistent with the times?

With respect to Question No. 2, this office can state that from its own experience with the Maine Board of Examiners, such Board has been diligent and effective in eliminating unethical practitioners and impostors from our State.

In answer to Question No. 3, the statutes relative to this Board have been uniformly amended to include additional requirements such as a knowledge of electrotherapy, hydrotherapy, dietetics and bacteriology.

To return to Question No. 1, the answers to Questions 2 and 3 would seem to answer Question No. 1.

We hope that this opinion will be helpful to you.

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