

# **MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE**

The following document is provided by the  
**LAW AND LEGISLATIVE DIGITAL LIBRARY**  
at the Maine State Law and Legislative Reference Library  
<http://legislature.maine.gov/lawlib>



Reproduced from scanned originals with text recognition applied  
(searchable text may contain some errors and/or omissions)

**This document is from the files of the Office of  
the Maine Attorney General as transferred to  
the Maine State Law and Legislative Reference  
Library on January 19, 2022**

February 8, 1967

George L. Russo, Chairman

Boxing Commission

James S. Erwin, Attorney General

Attorney General

This is in reply to your memorandum dated February 1 asking whether the power of suspension and/or revocation of licenses issued by the Boxing Commission is an authority granted the Boxing Commission or the Administrative Hearing Officer.

Deputy Attorney General West and I have discussed this problem this morning. In the memorandum dated January 31 I indicated certain provisions of the law with respect to revocation. The Deputy Attorney General has pointed out to me an ambiguity in the law. I agree with him that the opinion I sent on January 31 refers more to a promoter's license than a boxer's license. In our opinion, Title 8, Chapter 5, § 107, is not clear and unequivocal. The Administrative Hearing Commissioner has powers to revoke licenses for those who conduct boxing contests and exhibitions. However, the revocation of licenses of persons such as boxers, seconds, etc. is provided for without specifying what agency shall revoke or suspend. The law should certainly be clarified.

In the meantime, we are of the opinion that the license of a boxer as distinguished from the license of a promoter may be revoked or suspended by the Boxing Commission by virtue of the power to issue that license and without specific power to revoke or suspend placed in any identified agency's hands. All revocations or suspensions, of course, must be for cause. We feel that cause in these circumstances must be a violation of the boxing law or any rule, regulation or order of the Commission.

James S. Erwin  
Attorney General

JSE:H