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September 17, 1973

Oscar L. Whalen, Esquire
50 Water Street
Eastport, Maine

Re: Eastern Oil and Supply Co. v. Hastings and Maine State
Retirement System.

Dear Mr. Whalen:

In accordance with our telephone conversation today concerning reference case, this is to confirm that the right of a person to a retirement allowance, the retirement allowance itself, and to the return of contributions are not subject to execution, garnishment, attachment or any other process whatsoever. See 5 M.R.S.A. § 1003.

I understand from our telephone conversation that reference action has not been filed in court and that, in view of our conversation, it will not be filed. I further understand that you will confirm this in a letter to me so that the State Retirement System will be free to deal with Mr. Hastings' interest in the funds of the Retirement System without having to resort to the judicial system.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Very truly yours,

CHARLES R. LAROCHE
Assistant Attorney General

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cc: William Blodgett
Executive Secretary
Maine Retirement System

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