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Retirement

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Attorney General

Out-of-State Credits for University of Connecticut Service

This replies to your memo of February 11, 1974, as amplified by your memo of February 25, 1974, with enclosure.

You ask whether or not service as an employee of the University of Connecticut constitutes "service rendered as an employee of any state of the United States, except Maine, or of any political subdivision of any such state," within the meaning of 5 M.R.S.A. § 1001, subsection 15, and 5 M.R.S.A. § 1094, subsection 12. The answer to that question is affirmative.

The letter from Mr. Tate, Benefits Officer, University of Connecticut, dated February 20, 1974, a copy of which you enclosed with your February 25, 1974, memo, states that the University of Connecticut is considered a Department of State Government and that employment by the University of Connecticut is creditable service in the State Employees Retirement System. Such a statement by an apparently responsible official in response to your letter of inquiry to the University of Connecticut would seem to be worthy of belief. However, this is a matter that must be decided by the Board.

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AN INFORMAL OPINION