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Real Estate Course Advertisement

In answer to your memo under date of September 2, 1975, and more specifically, as a result of our recent discussion relating thereto at the meeting of the Real Estate Commission held on October 16, 1975, it is my opinion that use of the terminology "Certified by the Maine Real Estate Commission," in no manner constitutes unlawful advertising.

A course in real estate which qualifies for certification of approval by the Commission, may certainly be advertised as such to prospective students, and is not a recommendation or endorsement of said course by the Commission.

It would seem that a course which qualifies for certification or accreditation by the Commission should be advertised as such, so as to avoid misleading students who may seek eventual licensure as salesmen or brokers from enrollment in non-accredited courses.

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