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Mrs. Queen Arbuckle, Secretary
State Board of Hairdressers and
Cosmetologists
Austin, Texas

Dear Mrs. Arbuckle:

Opinion No. C-2477
Re: Beauty Schools -
Barber Schools.

Your request for opinion has been received and carefully considered by this department and we quote from your request as follows:

"We respectfully request your opinion on the following matter: We have students who enroll in a beauty school for the required six months' course of one thousand hours, and at the same time, matriculate in the same school for a barber's course of six months of one thousand hours.

"In view of the fact that both courses require a six months' course, would a person be eligible for our examination at the termination of six months, or would it be necessary for said person to complete a twelve months' course of two thousand hours before being eligible for both operator's and barber's examination?"

Section 9 of Article 754a, Vernon's Texas Annotated Penal Code, applicable to Barber Schools, provides among other things that "no school or college shall be approved unless such school or college requires, as a prerequisite to the admission to graduation, a course of instruction of not less than one thousand hours (1,000), to be completed within a period of not less than six months." The statute also sets out the required subjects of instruction.

Section 11 (a) of Article 754b, Vernon's Penal Code, applicable to schools of Beauty Culture, provides among other things that the school should "keep a daily record of the attendance of students; maintain a regular class and instruction hours, establish grades and hold examinations before issuing diplomas, and shall require a school term of not less than one thousand (1,000) hours to be completed in not less than six (6) months for a complete course of all or a majority of the practices of hairdressing and cosmetology."

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We have been unable to find any legal objection to a person's attending a barber school and a beauty school at the same time, provided satisfactory hours could be arranged whereby there would be no conflict in attendance upon said schools.

You are therefore respectfully advised that it is the opinion of this department that if a person could complete the required courses of instruction of both schools of one thousand hours (1,000) each within six months, and was not otherwise disqualified, said person would be eligible for both Beauty Operator's and Barber's examinations.

Very truly yours

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