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Honorable Tom L. Hartley
Criminal District Attorney
Hidalgo County
Edinburg, Texas

Dear Mr. Hartley:

Opinion No. 0-6829

Re: There is no statute requiring the Board of Equalization or the Assessor and/or Collector of Texas from independent school districts to take any oath of office other than the constitutional one.

Your letter of September 17, 1945, received and has been given our careful attention. You ask the following questions:

"1. Do the members of the Board of Equalization of an Independent School District, before being qualified to act as such, have to take any oath of office other than the Constitutional oath of office?

"2. What oath of office does the Assessor and/or Collector of Texas for the independent school district have to take before qualifying for such office, other than the Constitutional oath of office, if any?"

We have carefully checked the Acts of the Legislature relative to said matters, and it appears that no additional oath has been required to be taken by the Board of Equalization or by the Tax Assessor or the Tax Collector of an independent school district.

Section 1 of Article 16 of the Constitution, as amended, provides for the constitutional oath that all officers must take before they enter upon the duties of their respective offices. Since the Legislature has not provided for any additional oath, none is required.

Very truly yours

APPROVED SEP 26, 1945
s/ CARLOS C. ASHLEY
FIRST ASSISTANT
APPROVED OPINION COMMITTEE
BY /s/ B. W. B. CHAIRMAN

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s/ Geo. W. Barcus

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