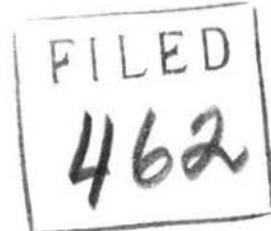


OPINION NO. 462  
Answered by Letter--  
Peterson

September 8, 1966



Dr. L. M. Garner, M.D.  
Acting Director  
Division of Health  
State Office Building  
Jefferson City, Missouri

Re: Trustees--County Health Center

Dear Dr. Garner:

This will acknowledge your letter dated September 2, 1966, in which you asked whether or not a person who files for the position of trustee for a county health center must be a resident of the county in which the filing is made.

It is assumed that your reference to county health center is that provided for in Chapter 205, RSMo Cum. Supp. 1965. We direct your attention to Section 205.031, paragraph 1, supra, which states as follows:

"1. The county court shall appoint five trustees chosen from the citizens at large with reference to their fitness for such office, all residents of the county, not more than three of the trustees to be residents of the city, town or village in which the county health center is to be located, who shall constitute a board of trustees for said county health center." (Emphasis Added.)

The provision in the above quoted section that the trustees be residents of the county applies equally to persons running for such office in addition to those appointed pursuant to Section 205.031, paragraph 1, supra.

Since your letter of the above date did not indicate that the health center involved was composed of more than one county, this office does not pass on that question.

Very truly yours,

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Attorney General

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cc:Ms. Bess Smoot