



COLORADO

**Division of Private
Occupational Schools**

Department of Higher Education

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Mr. Imran Cooper
Sassafras and Maple Research Foundation
P.O. Box 9794
Denver, CO 80209

Re: Division of Private Occupational Schools and Request for Exempt Status under section 12-59-104, C.R.S.

Dear Mr. Cooper,

This letter serves as authorization of exemption from the Division of Private Occupational Schools (“Division”) concerning **Sassafras and Maple Research Foundation**, located in Denver, Colorado, and state regulation thereof by the Division as set forth in the provisions of Title 12, Article 59 of the Colorado Revised Statutes.

This is to advise you that the current documentation submitted in support of exempt status reasonably demonstrates that **Sassafras and Maple Research Foundation** and its course offerings appear to be exempt from state regulation under §§ 12-59-104(1)(j), C.R.S.:

- (1) The following educational institutions and educational services are exempt from the provisions of this article:**
 - (j) Educational services offered by an employer for the training of its own employees;**

It is determination of the Division that **Sassafras and Maple Research Foundation** is currently not subject to jurisdiction of the Division and Private Occupational Educational Act and is operating in good faith pursuant to the above-stated statutory exemptions. Please be further advised that an exemption from the Division’s regulatory authority as identified in Title 12, Article 59 is contingent upon your business/institution maintaining its educational offerings within the exemption parameters. Please notify the Division should your business/institution’s exemption status cited above change.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Sincerely,

Lorna Candler, Division Director
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