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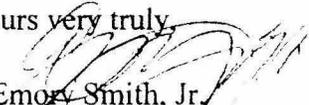
Dear Mr. Alexander:

You have requested the opinion of this Office as to whether the Anderson County Board of Education has the authority to levy a county-wide millage increase and direct the revenues therefrom to only two of the five school districts in Anderson County. In connection with this request you have attached opinion letters from the Anderson County Department of Education's attorney concluding that the County Board has such authority and from counsel for Anderson School District Five finding that the County Board lacks such authority. I have carefully reviewed both of those opinions and concur with the legal reasoning and conclusion of the letter from counsel for Anderson Five dated July 6, 2000.

This letter is an informal opinion. It has been written by the designated Assistant Deputy Attorney General and represents the opinion of the undersigned attorney as to the specific questions asked. It has not, however, been personally reviewed by the Attorney General nor officially published in the manner of a formal opinion.

If you have further questions, please let me know.

Yours very truly,


J. Emory Smith, Jr.
Assistant Deputy Attorney General

Request Letter