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Office of the Attorney General

State of South Carolina

April 20, 1983

*1 The Honorable Margie Carn
Clerk of Court for Dorchester County
County Courthouse
St. George, South Carolina 29477

Dear Mrs. Carn:

This office had earlier advised you in a letter dated February 18, 1983, that, under the Home Rule Act, the employees of an elected county official could be employed or discharged only by that elected official. This conclusion would be the same regardless of the source of funds for the salary of that employee. Specifically the employees of the Clerk of Court may be employed or discharged only by the Clerk of Court, pursuant to [§ 4-9-30\(7\), Code of Laws of South Carolina](#), 1976 (as amended), regardless of whether their salary is paid by county general funds or by state revenues. I hope that this will resolve the question that has arisen in Dorchester County.

Sincerely yours,

T. Travis Medlock
Attorney General

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