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Office of the Attorney General

State of South Carolina

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Dear Mr. McBride:

In response to your request for an opinion from this Office concerning a proposed agreement between the City of Hartsville and Darlington County for police protection and law enforcement matters, I am enclosing herewith a copy of an earlier opinion which I believe will answer your inquiry. While that opinion relates specifically to inter-city agreements, the reasoning and conclusion would be equally applicable to city-county agreements.

With kind regards,

Karen LeCraft Henderson  
Senior Assistant Attorney General

**ATTACHMENT**

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OPINION NO.

Member of the House of Representatives

SUBJECT: Public Service Commission, legislators eligibility, financial reports, resigning to run; State agencies, Public Service Commission, members, legislators eligibility, financial reports, resigning to run; Legislators, Public Service Commission members;

SYLLABUS: 1. Members of the General Assembly are eligible to election to the Public Service Commission until January 1, 1981; thereafter, they are not eligible to election during service as a Member and for four years thereafter (79 Acts 351).

2. Unless a Member of the House has been nominated by the Merit Selection Panel to fill a vacancy on the Public Service Commission, he need not file a statement of financial interest; if he is nominated by the Merit Selection Panel, he must file such a statement and then refrain from voting on any budgetary matters concerning the Public Service Commission.

3. If he is nominated by the Merit Selection Panel, he need not resign as a Member of the House during the time his candidacy is before the General Assembly.

Daniel R. McLeod  
Attorney General

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