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Dear Mr. Anderson:

Your request for an opinion on dual office holding has been referred to me for reply. This Office has consistently ruled that the position of Town Councilman and Chief of Police are offices as that term is used in the South Carolina Constitution. It, therefore, would be a violation against the dual office holding prohibition for a person to hold both offices at the same time. If you desire more information, the case of [Sanders v. Belue](#), 78 S.C. 171, 58 S.E. 762 defines the term 'office'.

If I can be of any further assistance in this matter, please let me know.

Very truly yours,

Richard D. Bybee  
Legal Assistant

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