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Office of the Attorney General

State of South Carolina

May 28, 1976

\*1 Representative John C. Land, III  
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Dear Representative Land:

You have requested an opinion from this office as to whether or not the Clarendon County Board of Commissioners is presently authorized to appropriate money, whether paid annually or monthly, for the office and other business expenses of the Circuit Judge and Solicitor, the game wardens, the highway patrolmen and the probation officer of Clarendon County.

The 1974-75 Clarendon County Supply Act contains the following line items:

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(n) Miscellaneous:

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59 STAT. Act No. 370 Part I, § 1(n) at 979 (1975).

These line items in the 1975 Act are also found in previous Clarendon County supply acts. See, e.g., 58 STAT. Act No. 622 § 1(n) at 1181 (1973).

I am enclosing herewith a copy of an earlier opinion issued by this Office concluding that 'a county may validly furnish any type of assistance to the Solicitor's Office or supplement the expenditure for equipment, personnel or supplies' therefor inasmuch as such appropriations would most probably fall within the purview of the 'ordinary county purposes' language of Article X, Section 6 of the South Carolina Constitution of 1895, as amended. Letter from Daniel R. McLeod to T. Kenneth Summerford dated May 24, 1972; see also, 63 AM.JUR.2d Public Officers and Employees §§ 387-391.

With kind regards,

Karen LeCraft Henderson  
Assistant Attorney General

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