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Office of the Attorney General

State of South Carolina

June 16, 1976

\*1 Honorable Dan F. Laney, Jr.  
Judge  
Third Judicial Circuit  
2 West Church Street  
Bishopville, South Carolina 29010

Dear Judge Laney:

Concerning your inquiry of June 15, 1976, we have not found any authority which would preclude your making an order to seal the autopsy report and photographs of Miss Cuttino's body. Some discretion to make such an order might be found under the Freedom of Information Act, Section 1-20.1 of the 1962 South Carolina Code, as amended, which states, in part, that the definition of public records shall not include ' . . . those records concerning which it is shown that the public interest is best served by not disclosing them to the public.'

If our office can be of further assistance to you, please let us know.

Very truly yours,

J. Emory Smith, Jr.  
Law Clerk

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