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Office of the Attorney General

State of South Carolina

May 3, 1972

*1 The Honorable P. T. Bardham
Clerk of Court
Clarendon County Courthouse
Manning, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Bradham:

I advise that, in the opinion of this Office, any statutes or constitutional provisions of South Carolina prohibiting intermarriage between races are violative of the Constitution of the United States and should not be enforced. Loving v. Virginia, United States Supreme Court. Marriage licenses may, therefore, be issued without regard to the race of the applicants.

I advise further that, in the opinion of this Office, aliens who are applicants for marriage in South Carolina may be issued marriage licenses upon the same basis as applicants therefor who are citizens of this State or of the United States.

Very truly yours,

Daniel R. McLeod
Attorney General

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