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Dear Jim,

Your letter addressed to Attorney General Medlock has been referred to me for reply. You have inquired as to the legality of collecting signatures of registered electors on petitions at the polling places on election days.

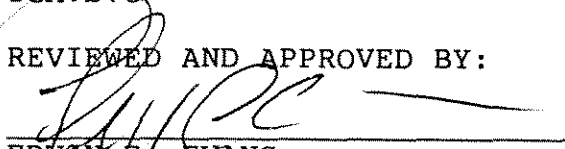
I would agree with your statement that there is no statute that addresses this issue. There being no prohibition, there would not appear to be any reason why this procedure could not be authorized as long as the procedure did not interfere with the election. See, S.C. Code Ann. §7-13-140 (1976).

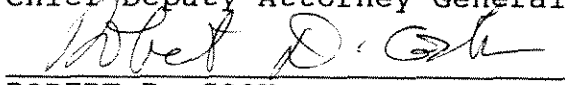
Very truly yours,


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