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The Honorable John W. Matthews, Jr.
Senator, District No. 39
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Bowman, South Carolina 29018

Dear Senator Matthews:

By your letter of February 15, 1990, you have asked for the opinion of this Office as to whether an individual employed part-time by a school district may be appointed to serve as a member of the county school board.

Section 59-15-10 of the South Carolina Code of Laws provides in relevant part that "[n]o employee of a public school system other than the county superintendent of education shall be eligible to serve as a member of a county board of education." You have advised that the individual in question is a part-time employee of one of the school districts located in the same county in which the county board of education, to which appointment is sought, is also located. Thus, we are of the opinion that Section 59-15-10 of the Code would preclude the individual's service on the county board of education.

This opinion is consistent with opinions previously rendered by this Office, copies of which are enclosed: September 26, 1977; September 18, 1979; July 15, 1980; March 21, 1980; and January 15, 1987.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely,

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