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The Honorable Robert O. Kay Member, House of Representatives 436-A Blatt Building Columbia, South Carolina 29211

Dear Representative Kay:

In a telephone call to this Office you questioned whether an individual may serve concurrently on a district school board of trustees and as a member of a county board of social services.

This Office has concluded in several prior opinions dated December 12, 1986; February 11, 1986; March 6, 1979; and January 16, 1979, copies of which are enclosed, that membership on a county board of social services would constitute an office for dual office holding purposes.

Similarly, this Office has determined in several opinions that an individual who serves on a district school board of trustees holds an office for dual office purposes. See Ops. Atty. Gen. dated March 16, 1982; March 29, 1982; June 22, 1982; and December 29, 1983, copies of which are enclosed.

Therefore, in the opinion of this Office an individual who serves concurrently on a district school board of trustees and as a member of a county board of social services would probably contravene the dual office holding prohibitions of the State Constitution.

Sincerely,

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