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Office of the Attorney General

State of South Carolina

January 25, 1983

**\*1 RE: Distribution of Fines from General Sessions Court**

The Honorable Mary C. Corpening  
Clerk of Court  
Jasper County  
P. O. Box 248  
Ridgeland, S. C. 29936

Dear Ms. Corpening:

You have recently asked the opinion of this Office concerning distribution of a fine levied in General Sessions Court as a result of an arrest by the city police.

Please be advised that one-fourth of the fine collected is to be disbursed to the State of South Carolina and three-fourths is to be disbursed to the county according to a recent opinion of this Office. (Opinion of October 23, 1979, enclosed).

I am also enclosing a copy of an opinion dated February 4, 1982, regarding confiscated drug money. You will note from the summary on page 3 that monies seized are either returned to the individual or transmitted to the State Treasurer. Neither the city nor the county is entitled to any portion thereof, which is contrary to the opinion expressed by you in your request letter.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

Arlene D. Hand  
Staff Attorney

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