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Office of the Attorney General

State of South Carolina

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Dear Gerald:

You have informed me that members of the Colleton County Board of Registration received additional money to register people in the county prior to the last general election. You have inquired if this was proper. I am enclosing a copy of a November 9, 1982, opinion of the State Ethics Commission which specifically deals with this question in Colleton County.

Additionally you have inquired if it is proper for a person to be hired for one county department and after the funds ran out in that department to be assigned to work in another county department. If, as I understand, both departments and positions were funded by county money, there would be no prohibition in State law to this procedure. See in general SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS, 1976, as amended, Section 4-9-140. Of course, any rules, regulations, or ordinances of the county concerning this procedure should be followed.

Sincerely,

Treva G. Ashworth
Senior Assistant Attorney General

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