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Dear Mr. Collins:

You have requested an opinion as to the legal status of the Swamp Fox Country Tourism Commission and whether it is an 'employer' within the meaning of § 9-1-10(5). The Commission was created by Act No. 1145 of 1974. Its members are appointed by the Governor and its function is to promote tourism and economic development in the Pee Dee area of the state. It appears to be a body politic and corporate with full powers to effectuate the purposes set forth in § 2 of the aforesaid act.

Based on the foregoing, it is the opinion of this Office that the Swamp Fox Country Tourism Commission is a political subdivision of the state and an 'employer' within the meaning of § 9-1-10(5).

Sincerely yours,

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