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Office of the Attorney General

State of South Carolina

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*1 Mr. J. T. Willis
Director
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Dear Mr. Willis:

Your letter of January 2, 1979, requests advice of this Office as to whether proxy voting is allowed for members of your board of trustees, with specific reference to the ex officio status of the Governor and the State Superintendent of Education.

The statute creating the Opportunity School and providing for its governance does not authorize the participation by any member by proxy vote in the affairs of the school and, in my opinion, proxy representation at board meetings is therefore not proper. This conclusion is applicable to voting, holding office or any participation in which membership upon the board is a prerequisite.

Very truly yours,

Daniel R. McLeod
Attorney General

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