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Office of the Attorney General

State of South Carolina
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Dear Mr. Bell:

In response to your request for an opinion from this Office concerning the provisions of [Section 5-7-200, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA](#), 1976, as amended, our Office has taken the position in the past that if a vacancy occurs more than 180 days before the next general election, a special election must be held notwithstanding the fact that the special election after due and legal notice actually takes place within 180 days before the next general election inasmuch as the 180-day period begins to run from the date the vacancy occurs.

With kind regards,

Karen LeCraft Henderson
Senior Assistant Attorney General

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