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Office of the Attorney General

State of South Carolina February 28, 1977

*1 Mrs. Norma C. Russell Member House of Representatives Lexington County 92 Nob Hill Road Columbia, South Carolina 29210

Dear Mrs. Russell:

You have previously requested advice on whether or not this Office would undertake your representation in case you should be sued as a consequence of statements made by you with respect to personnel of the House of Representatives.

I consider that the comments of a Legislator regarding the character and fitness of an employee of the General Assembly to be within the course of his or her employment as a Legislator and therefore coming within the scope of Section 1-234 of the 1962 Code of Laws, which authorizes this Office to defend actions against officers or employees of the State for acts done in good faith in the course of their employment. We will, therefore, afford such representation should the need arise. Very truly yours,

Daniel R. McLeod Attorney General

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