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Office of the Attorney General

State of South Carolina

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Dear Mr. Collins:

You have requested an opinion as to the legal status of the Florence City-County Airport Commission, and whether it is an 'employer' within the meaning of South Carolina Code of Laws, Section 61-1(5).

The Commission was created by Act No. 482 of 1973. Its members are appointed by the Governor and its function is to operate, improve, or construct aviation facilities in Florence County. The Commission has been vested with the powers to enter into contracts, make binding agreements, and generally take such actions in its name as are necessary to accomplish the purposes described in Section 4 of the aforesaid Act.

On the basis of the foregoing, it is the opinion of this Office that the Florence City-County Airport Commission is a political subdivision of the State and an 'employer' within the meaning of Code Section 61-1(5).

Sincerely yours,

Kenneth P. Woodington

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