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Office of the Attorney General

State of South Carolina

June 29, 1977

*1 Hon. Carl M. Hair
Judge of Probate
Aiken County
Aiken, South Carolina 29801

Dear Judge Hair:

In response to your request for an opinion from this Office as to whether or not you, as Judge of Probate for Aiken County, can accept the duties of Master in Equity for Aiken County as additions to those duties which you perform as Judge of Probate, my opinion is that such an assumption would be violative of the provisions of Article V, Section 1 of the South Carolina Constitution, 1895, as amended, and of Article V, Section 15 of Act No. 690 of 1976 [59 STAT. 1859 at 1871 (1976)]. See also, [State, ex rel. McLeod v. The Court of Probate of Colleton County, et al.](#), 266 S.C. 279, 223 S.E.2d 166 (1975).

With kind regards,

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