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*1 RE: S.C. Code, § 17-1-40 (1976)

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Dear Mr. Taylor:

You have directed to this office an inquiry regarding application of the above-captioned statute to records maintained by the Greenville County Clerk of Court.

Previous opinions issued by this office have indicated that records maintained by non-law enforcement agencies do not come within the ambit of § 17-1-40. You will find enclosed herewith a copy of an opinion of this office, dated May 18, 1978, which covers the subject of your inquiry concerning records maintained by a non-law enforcement agency.

If you do not feel that this letter and enclosure are not responsive to your request, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at this office. It should be noted, parenthetically, that the Attorney General is authorized to render legal opinions only to the Governor and the General Assembly, to solicitors, and to constitutional and other State officers. <u>S.C. Code</u>, §§ 1-7-90 through 1-7-110 (1976).

Thank you. Very truly yours,

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