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Dear Mr. Leath:

Mr. McLeod has asked me to respond to your letter of July 16, 1979, concerning the Legislative Audit Council's report on the Board of Landscape Architectural Examiners. In that regard, I have reviewed the Council's report which was enclosed with your letter.

In general, I was very pleased with the analysis and recommendations of the Council. The Landscape Architects Board of Registration and the Landscape Architects Council have made a firm effort in their first few years of existence to develop landscape architecture in South Carolina into a profession that is better able to serve and protect the needs of the people of this State. Therefore, I am in complete agreement with the determination of the Council that the Board of Landscape Architectural Examiners should continue in existence past their scheduled termination date of July 1, 1980.

Although the Board is providing a service to the State, there are obviously areas that might be improved. For that reason, I would generally agree with the recommendations contained in the report. In particular, the recommendation for elimination of the requirement that a Landscape Architect be a citizen of the United States (Page 16) would appear to be quite appropriate.

If this office can provide any further information in regard to the Council's report, we would be more than happy to do so. Sincerely,

Keith M. Babcock Assistant Attorney General

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