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Dear John:

I am in receipt of your recent letter. You have asked the following questions:

May a county political party which held primaries to nominate candidates for all offices during the preceding General Election year, nominate candidates by the convention method for a special election held in the following year? Also, is an 'election year' a calendar year or a two year election cycle?

South Carolina Code of Laws, 1976, Section 7-11-30 states in part that
[n]o convention shall make nominations for one or more offices at the convention and order primaries for other offices to be filled during the same election year.

As used in this statute, an election year would only apply to a calendar year. Therefore, whatever method a political party utilized to nominate a candidate for the general election year would not control the nominating procedures for the following year.

Very truly yours,

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