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*1 Mr. Carlos W. Gibbons P. O. Box 334 Greenwood, SC 29646

Dear Mr. Gibbons:

Mr. McLeod has referred your recent letter to me for reply. You have requested information concerning where a candidate can hand out campaign materials. Specifically, you have inquired if a candidate may hand our campaign material in Parking lots of shopping centers or in State office buildings.

As you are aware, shopping centers and their parking lots are private property and a candidate should obtain permission before going on the property and handing out campaign literature.

There is no rule or statute which would prohibit a candidate from going into State office buildings and handing out campaign materials. However, it would be advisable to obtain permission in advance, as any agency could request the person to leave if they found that the candidate was interfering with the normal work of the office.

Very truly yours,

Treva G. Ashworth Assistant Attorney General

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