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Dear Mr. Brown:

I am in receipt of your recent letter. You have inquired if [Section 7-11-230 of the South Carolina Code](#) of Laws, 1976, applies to trustee elections conducted by the county superintendent.

This Section states that '[e]very candidate in an election, general special or primary, shall make the . . . pledge . . . concerning expenditure of money.' [Section 7-1-20 of the Code](#) defines general election as . . . the election provided herein to be held for the election of officers to the regular terms of office provided by law, whether State, United States, county, municipal or of any other political subdivision of the State, and for voting on constitutional amendments proposed by the General Assembly.

A trustee election would come within the provisions of this statute. Therefore, a candidate for trustee should file the pledge required for every candidate in a general election.

Very truly yours,

Treva G. Ashworth  
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