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Office of the Attorney General

State of South Carolina

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Dear Mr. Collins:

You have requested an opinion as to the legal status of the South Greenville Fire District and whether it is an 'employer' within the meaning of South Carolina Code of Laws, Section 9-1-10(5).

The District was created by Act No. 67 of 1965. Its members are appointed by the Governor and its function is to provide fire protection to certain areas of Greenville County. The District has been vested with the powers to enter into contracts, make binding agreements, and generally take such actions in its name as are necessary to accomplish the purposes described in Section 5 of the aforesaid Act.

On the basis of the foregoing, it is the opinion of this Office that the South Greenville Fire District is a political subdivision of the State and an 'employer' within the meaning of [Code Section 9-1-10\(5\)](#).

Sincerely yours,

Kenneth P. Woodington
Assistant Attorney General

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