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Dear Mr. Strickland:

Mr. Ellisor has referred your recent letter to me for reply. You have inquired if it would be proper for the Abbeville County Treasurer to work on election night in a clerical capacity and his wife to serve as a manager of one of the precincts in Abbeville County. You have stated that the County Treasurer is running unopposed for re-election.

I would agree with Mr. Ellisor's opinion that it would be improper for either to work during the election. South Carolina Code of Laws, 1976, Section 7-13-120(1) states

It shall be unlawful for a candidate or the spouse . . . of a candidate for public office to work as a manager or clerk of election at a polling place where such candidate's name appears on the ballot.

This Section would prohibit the County Treasurer or his wife from working as a clerk or a manager at the election.

Very truly yours,

Treva G. Ashworth
Assistant Attorney General

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