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Office of the Attorney General

State of South Carolina

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Dear Ms. Norton:

This letter is to confirm our telephone conversation of October 31, 1978. You have stated that you are presently employed by the county treasurer paid by State funds, and you are considering running for county council. You have inquired if there is any State statute which would require you to resign your employment in order to run for office.

There is no State statute which would require you to resign from your employment. However, the county department for which you work may promulgate its own rules and regulations which would govern an employee of that department. If the department establishes rules and regulations that prohibit political activity, they would control. Additionally, the county itself may enact an ordinance that would prohibit certain political activity of county employees.

Very truly yours,

Treva G. Ashworth
Assistant Attorney General

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