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Office of the Attorney General

State of South Carolina November 3, 1976

*1 The Honorable Randolph Murdaugh, Jr. Solicitor
Fourteenth Judicial Circuit
Hampton, South Carolina

Dear Buster:

Thank you for your letter of October 22, 1976, stating that you plan to be a full-time solicitor beginning in January 1977, that there is no available space in the county court house for the solicitor's quarters, and requesting my opinion as to whether there is any reason why you may not continue to occupy the present building where your present law firm is located and in which you have a one-half ownership interest.

There is no requirement in the law regarding this problem. It is my opinion that there is no reason why you may not continue to occupy quarters at your old law firm's location. The firm will continue but you will not be a part of it as you are prohibited from practicing law while you are a full-time solicitor.

In order to remove any question about the matter, you should secure an opinion from the Committee on Professional Responsibility. Charles W. Knowlton of the firm of Boyd, Knowlton, Tate & Finlay, SCN Center, Columbia, South Carolina, is the chairman of that committee.

With best wishes, Very truly yours,

Daniel R. McLeod Attorney General

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