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Office of the Attorney General

State of South Carolina November 9, 1976

\*1 Honorable Purvis W. Collins Director South Carolina Retirement System Post Office Box 11960 Columbia. SC 29211

Dear Mr. Collins:

You have requested an opinion as to the legal status for Laurens County Mental Retardation Board.

This Office is unable to locate specific legislation which created the Board. While the name of the Board was changed by Act No. 1127 of 1974, it is clear from this Act that the Board was already in existence by 1974. Since no other specific reference to the Board has been found in legislation, it must be assumed that the Board was set up under the powers and authority of the governing body of Laurens County.

On the basis of the foregoing, it is the opinion of this Office that the above-named Board is an agency of Laurens County rather than an independent political subdivision of the State.

Sincerely yours,

Kenneth P. Woodington Assistant Attorney General

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