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**\*1 Re: Terms of Office for director of Deer Creek Watershed Conservation District.**

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S. C. Land Resources Conservation Commission  
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Dear Mr. Smith:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of January 29, 1975, in which you requested my opinion regarding the terms of office for the directors of the Deer Creek Watershed Conservation District in Colleton County.

As we discussed by telephone, the general principles related in my letter to you of January 7, 1975, regarding the determination of terms of office would be applicable in most cases, including the Deer Creek Watershed District. Upon review of the pertinent statutes I have concluded that this is true.

Therefore, as the effective date of the Deer Creek Watershed Conservation District is April 28, 1970, the initial terms of office for directors should be computed from that date, as mandated by Act No. 1379 of 1970. The following chart illustrates the proper terms for directors:

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Each successive term, of course, would be calculated, in this case, by adding six years to the preceding expiration year.

Therefore, it is my opinion that the initial terms of office for directors of the Dear Creek Watershed Conservation District should be computed from the effective date of the act, April 28, 1970.

Very truly yours,

Richard P. Wilson  
Staff Attorney

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