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Office of the Attorney General

State of South Carolina

July 8, 1975

\*1 Honorable D. E. Finley, Jr.  
Magistrate  
Post Office Box 522  
Pickens, South Carolina 29671

Dear Judge Finley:

You have inquired whether or not a person who alleges he was hunting snakes along a highway is excepted from the State's pistol law [Section 16-129, et seq.] under provisions of Section 16-129.1(4) when he has a pistol on or about his person in an automobile on the highway and is in possession of a valid hunting license.

It is the opinion of this Office that the word 'hunting' as used in Section 16-129.1(4) means pursuit of game birds or animals in generally recognized hunting places, and that the subject exception does not contemplate hunting snakes along the highway.

Yours very truly,

Joseph C. Coleman  
Deputy Attorney General

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