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*1 Re: Charleston County School District and Constituent Districts—Interpretation of Code Section 21-351 and 21-1615

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Dear Mr. Gibbs:

In answer to your request for an opinion on conflicts of interests as related to Section 21-351 and 21-1615 plus school board regulations, I am of the opinion that Section 21-351 does not make the employment of a board member's relative mandatory, thus Section 21-351 and Section 21-1615 are not in conflict. Furthermore, the Board may wish to have ever more stringent restrictions than statutes on contracts or other such relations with relatives of board members and these regulations would be valid so long as not in conflict with State statute or regulations of the State Board of Education.

Should any individual wish any further clarification, the courts are available through the procedures established for declaratory judgments, Section 10-2001, Code of Laws of South Carolina.

Sincerely,

Hardwick Stuart, Jr. Assistant Attorney General

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