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Office of the Attorney General

State of South Carolina

Opinion No. 3771

May 8, 1974

***1 In Re: Dogs, Personal Property**

Honorable Ed Garrison
Route 2—Clemson Boulevard
Anderson, South Carolina

Dear Senator Garrison:

You have inquired whether or not a dog is personal property that can be the subject of larceny or civil damages.

In South Carolina, contra to the rule at common law, a dog is a chattel of value that can be the subject of larceny and for the destruction of or injury to which civil liability can attach. [State v. Langford](#), 55 S.C. 322.

Very truly yours,

Joseph C. Coleman
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