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Office of the Attorney General

State of South Carolina

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\*1 Mr. Richard Lanbreth  
c/o Box 1432  
Dillon, South Carolina 29536

Dear Mr. Lanbreth:

You have requested that this office advise you as to whether you are required by law to have South Carolina license tags on your automobile while you are in the state. Your home on record is in North Carolina; you vote in North Carolina; your only contact in South Carolina is that you do work in this State, and you normally work four to five days a week in South Carolina before retiring to North Carolina.

Section 46-101 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina provides that a foreign privately-owned-and-operated passenger vehicle of a nonresident, otherwise subject to registration and license under the provisions of this Chapter may be operated within this State for a period of not exceeding ninety accumulated days in any one registration and license year without being registered and licensed under the provisions of this Chapter. The law in this respect is clear, that any non-resident who operates his automobile for ninety accumulated days in one year in this State is required to have it licensed by the State of South Carolina.

I trust that this has been sufficient in answering the question which you posed, if we may be of any further assistance please do not hesitate to call or write.

Very truly yours,

Timothy C. Quinn  
Senior Assistant Attorney General

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