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State of South Carolina

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*1 Mr. L. V. Breyer
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Dear Mr. Breyer:

You have inquired about fidelity bonds for public employees and officials in Beaufort County.

Beaufort County Council is permitted to cover all county employees, appointed county officials, and elected county officials, with the exception of the county treasurer and the tax collector, under the provisions of a single bond. Act No. 1728, ACTS AND JOINTS RESOLUTIONS OF SOUTH CAROLINA 1972. However, the county council must also comply with the statutory requirements specifying the entity to which each respective official or employee is to be bonded. Since the requirements vary as to the different officials, you should consult with your county attorney to determine the requirement for each official.

The blanket bond may be given on the official bond form or, if that is not suitable, on some other locally prepared form. In either case the bond must be forwarded to the Attorney General after it has been executed for approval as to execution and form. Section 8-3-150, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976.

I apologize for the lengthy delay in responding to Mr. Waymire's letter of last year. That letter was apparently misplaced.

With kind regards,

Karen LeCraft Henderson
Assistant Attorney General

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