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State of South Carolina

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Dear Crosby:

I enclose herewith letter from State Attorney Emory Smith, as approved by Raymond Halford, together with an opinion prepared by Emory Smith concerning initiation of suit by DSS to recover debts owed to it under contracts. Emory's opinion and covering letter suggests proceeding under [Section 1-7-80 of the 1976 Code](#). I would suggest that the complaint be drafted so as to include as attorneys Daniel R. McLeod, as Attorney General, and you, as attorneys for the Department of Social Services. I am certain that Dan has already approved your retention by DSS on legal matters relating to DSS business and I would see no reason not to extend the authority to initiate and handle the proposed suit against the Nursing Home. I have no objection if you also include my name, as one of the attorneys for the plaintiffs. In other words, your complaint will be brought in the name of DSS against the Nursing Home and reflect the attorneys for the plaintiffs to include the Attorney General, you, as counsel for DSS, and me, in this litigation. Please consider this letter as further authorization to initiate the action.

Yours very truly,

Victor S. Evans  
Deputy Attorney General

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