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Dear Mr. Brunson:

Mr. McLeod has referred your recent letter to me for reply. You have informed this Office that a candidate is requesting the title 'Doctor' or 'Dr.' be put on the ballot. You have inquired if it is possible to put a candidate's title on the ballot.

Recent case law has concerned the right of a candidate to have his nickname appear on the ballot. However, the recent developments in the case law has not altered our prior opinion that a title may not appear on the ballot. Therefore, pursuant to our prior opinion, 1967-68 Attorney General Opinion 161, a candidate's title may not appear on the ballot.  
Very truly yours,

Treva G. Ashworth  
Senior Assistant Attorney General

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