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Office of the Attorney General

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**\*1 RE: Period of Operation—King Memorial College**

G. P. Callison, Esquire  
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Dear Mr. Callison:

You have requested an opinion from this Office as to whether or not the county council has the authority to allocate office space with the Greenwood County Courthouse. In my opinion, it does. The provisions of Act No. 283 of 1975, the 'home rule' legislation, vest the county council with the responsibility for policy making and administration of county government [see, § 14-3720, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1962, as amended (Cum. Supp.)] and also empower it to regulate county agencies, boards, departments, commissions and positions. See, § 14-3703(6), CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1962, as amended (Cum. Supp.). Moreover, the provisions of Section 15-1721, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1962, as amended, relating to the clerk of court and his authority over the county courthouse, speak to the maintenance and custody of the courthouse, in my opinion, and not to the allocation of office space therein.

With kind regards,

Karen LeCraft Henderson  
Assistant Attorney General

**ATTACHMENT**

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Kenneth Childs

Attorney Generals Office

Enclosed portions of contract relative to this subject.

Marvin P. Busbee

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