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Office of the Attorney General

State of South Carolina

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\*1 Captain J. S. Timmerman  
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Columbia, South Carolina 29202

Dear Captain Timmerman:

You have inquired of this Office as to the legality of carrying or having about the person a weapon commonly known as a 'nunchaku'. My understanding is that the nunchaku fundamentally consists of two clubs or handle type devices connected by a cord, thong, or chain.

Research indicates no specific statutory prohibition against carrying this type of weapon. However, if the weapon is one that would be considered a 'deadly weapon usually used for the infliction of personal injury' under the proscriptions of Section 16-145, 1962 Code of Laws, as amended, then that statute would be applicable.

Very truly yours,

Richard P. Wilson  
Assistant Attorney General

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