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Office of the Attorney General

State of South Carolina

April 5, 1973

***1 Re: Practice of Engineering**

Mr. Arthur Carlie Gregg, Jr.
c/o Florence County Council
Florence, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Gregg:

This Office has been advised that you are presently employed by Florence County with the title of Florence County Engineer. Sections 56-703 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina 1962, prohibits the use or advertisement of any title or description tending to convey the impression that a person is a professional engineer, unless that person has been duly registered with the Board of Engineering Examiners.

I note that although you are not on the list of registered engineers, you are holding yourself out as the 'County Engineer' for Florence County.

Section 56-718 sets forth the qualifications for registration as a professional engineer. Among these qualifications is that one graduate from an approved engineering curriculum of four or more years from a school or college approved by the Board as a satisfactory standing. Provisions of Section 56-738 provide penalties for practicing or offer to practice engineering without being registered in accordance with the provisions of this Chapter. These penalties include the maximum sentence of \$500.00 fine and imprisonment for a period of three months.

I suggest you take this matter to the County Attorney for his advise and recommendation on your use of the term 'County Engineer', and I feel sure that upon his recommendation the laws can be complied with upon your changing your title from the present one of County Engineer'.

I would appreciate your advising me as to your intentions in this matter.

Very truly yours,

Timothy G. Quinn
Senior Assistant Attorney General

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