



# State of South Carolina

## Office of the Governor

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1205 PENDLETON STREET  
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May 7, 2012

Ms. Amy Hilley  
423 Port Royal Drive  
Ninety Six, South Carolina 29666

Dear Ms. Hilley,

Our office received your Freedom of Information Act request for records relating to the Guardian ad Litem program's employment of Louise Cooper, Virginia Ravenel, Blondean Funderburke, Stacie Smith, and Crystal Noble.

Please find enclosed records responsive to your request and a receipt for payment. The following exemption applies to the responsive public records: South Carolina Code Section 30-4-40(a)(2) (information of a personal nature where the public disclosure thereof would constitute unreasonable invasion of personal privacy) and Section 30-4-40(a)(6)(A) (compensation paid by public bodies under fifty thousand dollars).

Please note that any records located regarding reasons for employee separation are included; however state law does not require reasons for separation to be documented. Additionally, performance evaluations are not required for at-will employees.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Swati S. Patel".

Swati S. Patel  
Chief Legal Counsel

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