


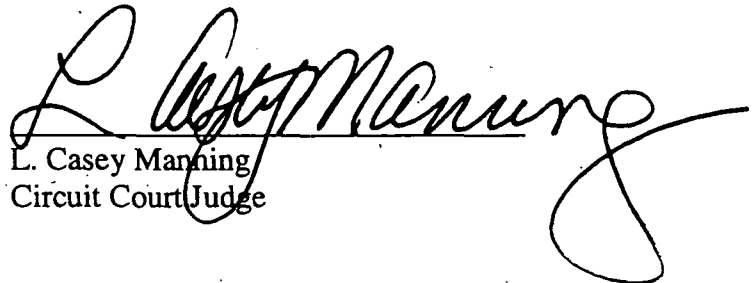
requests from citizens. S.C. Code §§ 30-4-10 et seq. FOIA's definition of public body makes clear that it does not include individuals. S.C. Code § 30-4-20(a). Strickler has no obligations under FOIA as an individual, so Hendricks' FOIA claim against Strickler fails as a matter of law.

Strickler's attorney's notes are also exempt from disclosure under the FOIA. S.C. Code § 30-4-40(7) specifically exempts "work products of legal counsel for a public body" from disclosure under the FOIA. Since the file materials withheld from Hendricks are attorney work product, Hendricks' FOIA claim seeking those materials fails as a matter of law.

WHEREFORE, this Court **GRANTS** Strickler's Motion to Dismiss and **ORDERS** that Hendricks' Complaint is dismissed with prejudice.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED!


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Sept. 26 2012



L. Casey Manning
Circuit Court Judge