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Re: CORPORATIONS--REAL ESTATE--legality of
convicted felon owning stock in company
engaging in real estate transactions.

Dear Mr. Clark:

This is in response to your request for an opinion regarding the
legality of a convicted felon owning stock in a Florida company
which engages in real estate transactions.

I regret to advise you that I must decline to issue an opinion in
regard to this matter. The persons to whom and the subjects upon
which this office can render legal advice or opinions are limited
by law. See, s. 16.01(3), F.S., which states that the Attorney
General is authorized to issue opinions to certain public
officers on questions of law relating to their official duties.
This office is not authorized to give legal advice or opinions to
private individuals.

I trust that you will understand the position which I must take
in regard to this matter.

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely,

ROBERT A. BUTTERWORTH
ATTORNEY GENERAL

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Enclosure