

## **Board of Education**

### **Board Attorney**

The School Board may enter into agreements for legal services with one or more attorneys or law firms to be the Board Attorney(s). The Board Attorney represents the School Board in its capacity as the governing body for the School District. The Board Attorney shall not represent another client if the representation involves a concurrent conflict of interest, unless permitted by the Ill. Rules of Professional Conduct adopted by the Ill. Supreme Court.

The school attorney serves on a retainer or other fee arrangement as the Board of Education and attorney determine in advance.

The attorney will:

1. Serve as counselor to the Board and attend Board meetings when requested by the Superintendent or Board President;
1. Represent the District in any legal matter as requested by the Board of Education;
2. Provide written opinions on legal questions as requested by the Superintendent or Board President;
3. Approve, prepare, or supervise the preparation of legal documents and instruments and perform such other legal duties as the Board of Education may request; and
4. Be available for telephone consultation.
5. Represent the District in any legal matter as authorized by the Superintendent, until the Board has an opportunity to consider the matter.

The Board of Education shall retain the right to consult or employ other attorneys on matters of special concern and to terminate the service of any attorney.

LEGAL REF.: Rule 1.7 (Conflict of Interest: Current Clients) and Rule 1.13 (Organization as Client) of the Ill. Rules of Professional Conduct adopted by the Ill. Supreme Court.

CROSS REF.: 4:60 (Purchases and Contracts)

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