

White Mountains Regional School Board Policy **BDG**
SECTION B: SCHOOL BOARD GOVERNANCE & OPERATIONS
OPTIONAL

SCHOOL ATTORNEY

The White Mountains Regional School Board recognizes that the increasing complexity of White Mountains Regional School District operations frequently requires procurement of professional legal services. Consequently, it shall retain an attorney or law firm for that purpose.

A decision to seek legal advice or assistance on behalf of the School District shall normally be made by the Superintendent or by persons specifically authorized by the Superintendent. Such action shall occur where it is consistent with Adopted District policy or standard practice and meets an obvious need of the District. It may also take place as a consequence of formal Board direction.

Many types of instances of legal assistance to the District may be considered routine and not necessitating specific Board approval or prior vote. For example, the Superintendent may consult with the school attorney to interpret Legal requirements or regulations, prepare or review contracts and seek legal opinions regarding other District issues.

However, when the administration concludes that unusual types or amounts of professional legal service may be required, Board authorization for such service shall be promptly requested.

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