As needed, the Board will retain attorneys to provide legal services to the school system, including both legal advice and representation in litigation. Such employment shall be at the pleasure of the Board. Any attorney retained by the Board or the superintendent through school system funds represents the legal entity of the school system and not any individual Board member or administrator. The Board Attorney will resolve all criminal bond forfeiture matters on behalf of the Board.

The superintendent may consult with the board attorney as needed to carry out administrative operations and to protect the Board and school system from liability. Other staff may consult with the Board attorney as determined appropriate by the superintendent. Board legal counsel will keep the Board and administration updated on significant legal issues and may bring forward any legal matter which counsel believes requires action by the Board and/or administration, on a Board issue and Board counsel will notify all Board members of any significant legal issues raised by Board members.

Legal References: G.S. 115C-36

Cross References:

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