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Descriptor Term:  
SCHOOL BOARD ATTORNEY

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2.6100

Legal References: G.S. 115C-36

Cross References:

The board shall be represented by legal counsel who shall be expected to advise the board on all legal matters and to be present at all regular scheduled board meetings. Attendance at special and emergency meetings shall be determined by the chairman.

The attorney shall be employed on a contractual basis. Compensation for time spent on board affairs will be in accordance with a mutually agreed upon scale for services rendered.

The school attorney will be the chief legal adviser for the system. Without restricting the generality of the foregoing, it is his/her responsibility to:

1. Be present as requested at meetings of the board and its committees.
2. Advise the board and its officials, when requested to do so, on legal matters.
3. Advise the board and the superintendent on points of law where the rights and the liabilities of the system may be affected.
4. Prepare and/or approve all contracts, agreements, and legal instruments required in the ordinary course of system affairs.
5. Prepare and/or approve all legislation sought to be enacted by and expressly for the system.
6. Prosecute legal actions brought by the board and defend legal actions brought against the board.