

BDG SCHOOL COMMITTEE ATTORNEY

The Committee may employ the services of District Counsel, and the Committee and the Superintendent-Director may seek District Counsel's services to counsel and represent the school system at various times.

However, because the complexity of school district operations often requires specialized legal services, the Committee may also retain an attorney or law firm to provide additional legal services.

It will be the duty of legal counsel for the Committee to advise the Committee and the Superintendent-Director on the specific legal problems submitted to counsel. Counsel will attend meetings upon request and will be sufficiently familiar with Committee policies, practices, and actions under these policies, and with the requirements of school law to enable them to offer the necessary legal advice.

A decision to seek legal advice or assistance on behalf of the District will be made by the Committee or the Superintendent-Director. Many types of legal assistance are routine and do not require specific Committee approval or prior notice. However, when the Superintendent-Director concludes that unusual types or amounts of professional legal service may be required, the Superintendent-Director will advise the Committee and seek either initial or continuing authorization for such service.

Access to legal counsel by individual Committee members will be through the Chairperson.

CROSS REF: School Committee Bylaws (BBA) Article X

LEGAL REFS: M.G.L. 71:16(j); 71:37E; 71:37F

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