

**ATTORNEY**

The board shall retain a qualified attorney to handle all legal matters referred to him by the board and who shall receive such compensation as the board from time to time may provide. The duties of the attorney shall be prescribed by regulation.

The school district attorney may attend all regular meetings of the board and such other meetings of the board as the board may require. If the school district attorney cannot attend a meeting because of illness or other good cause, he shall send a member of his firm to such a meeting in his stead, unless such attendance is excused by the board. For the retainer fee said school district attorney shall provide legal advice and counsel to the board, the superintendent, and such other members of the administrative staff as the board may from time to time designate. The services to be performed by the school district attorney shall include all normal service, including by way of illustration, by not by way of limitation, the preparation of contracts and legislation, review and advice and on matters submitted to him by the board or the superintendent, attendance at meetings as described above, preparation of deeds and conducting legal research. The retainer fee paid to the school district attorney shall not cover services in connection with the issuance of bonds, litigation, hearings involving employees or students, appearances before governmental administrative agencies, or lobbying.