



Ohio School Boards Association
Legal Assistance Fund
 8050 N. High Street, Suite 100
 Columbus, Ohio 43235-6481

November 30, 2016

Invoice number 16-7362896-LAF

District Treasurer
 Celina City
 585 E Livingston St
 Celina OH 45822-1749

AMOUNT DUE \$ 250.00
 AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$ _____
 DUE DATE Dec. 31, 2016

OSBA Legal Assistance Fund tax identification number is 31-0934576

✂ Return top portion with check payable to the OSBA Legal Assistance Fund and send to the address above.

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11/30/16		OSBA LEGAL ASSISTANCE FUND CONSULTANT SERVICE OSBA Legal Assistance Fund (LAF) Consultant Service Contract pursuant to R.C. Section 3313.171 (January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017) LAF membership should be charged to Account No. 001-2310-418 Checks MUST be made payable to the OSBA Legal Assistance Fund	250.00

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TO: Treasurers
FROM: Sara C. Clark, Director of Legal Services
DATE: November 2016
SUBJECT: 2017 LEGAL ASSISTANCE FUND MEMBERSHIP

I am writing to encourage your board to consider becoming a member of OSBA's Legal Assistance Fund (LAF) for 2017. I have sent a similar letter to your board president and superintendent under separate cover.

Since 1977, LAF has provided supportive assistance to boards of education in cases or controversies of statewide significance. Qualifying districts may request and receive:

- ❖ financial assistance to pay for a portion of litigation expenses
- ❖ an amicus curiae brief to be filed on behalf of the district
- ❖ legal research or consultation to assist the district's attorney

In 2016, LAF provided support in three cases involving matters of statewide significance. These cases involved issues such as teacher evaluations, student searches and board member liability. Our briefs are making a difference, and are contributing toward favorable judicial decisions that can have a very positive impact on your district and its students.

As a benefit of LAF membership, you will receive a yearly subscription to *School Law Summary (SLS)*. Four electronic issues will keep you up to speed on major developments in state and federal case law affecting education in Ohio.

Please make joining LAF a priority. Through your support, we can continue to focus on legal issues that impact all Ohio school districts.

To join, please place consideration of joining LAF on your next board meeting agenda. **Enclosed is an invoice for your convenience.** Please return the top portion to OSBA with a check payable to the Legal Assistance Fund.

If you have any questions or if there is anything we can do to provide assistance, please call Lenore Winfrey, senior administrative associate of legal services at (614) 540-4000 or (855) OSBA-LAW.

Enclosure.

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