

OHIO COUNCIL OF SCHOOL BOARD ATTORNEYS

an affiliate of the Ohio School Boards Association

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

Who are we?

The Ohio Council of School Board Attorneys is a group of approximately 200 attorneys throughout the state of Ohio who represents school districts. The council is affiliated with the Ohio School Boards Association (OSBA).

Why join?

Membership provides school attorneys with an opportunity to stay current in education law through access to the following services:

- **Seminars**

- *Spring Seminar* - Usually held in May or June, the Spring Seminar consists of a full day of presentations by experienced school law practitioners. It is an extensive program conducted in an informal setting to encourage participation by all attendees.
- *School Law Workshop* - This program is traditionally held for a full day during the Ohio School Boards Association's Capital Conference in November.

**Continuing Legal Education credit is sought for these programs annually.*

- **Publications**

The members of the council receive the following publications:

- *School Law Summary* - A comprehensive summary of cases relevant to the practice of school law, including unreported arbitration decisions, indexed by topic for research convenience. A cumulative index is included and updated annually. The *School Law Summary* is delivered in electronic format directly to your inbox.
- *Legal Alerts* - Bulletins that are published by OSBA as needed to address topics of immediate importance.
- *Briefcase* - OSBA's semimonthly school news publication, which includes OSBA's Legislative Report when the General Assembly is in session. It provides up-to-the-minute reports on legislative action.
- *Ohio School Boards Association Journal* - OSBA's award-winning monthly magazine.
- *Directory* - A printed directory lists council members alphabetically and by geographic location. The directory is also on the OSBA Web site. A link to your law firm's website can be established for a nominal fee.
- *Listserv* - OCSBA members can take advantage of an exclusive listserv for discussions and sharing of ideas on legal matters affecting education in Ohio, as well as court decisions, administrative rulings or current events.

- **Consultation**

Council membership offers an opportunity for free consultation with the Ohio School Boards Association's legal division.

- **Arbitration decisions**

Arbitration decisions that are reported in the *School Law Summary* are available to council members.

Who is eligible for membership?

Membership in the OSCBA is limited to attorneys who currently represent or have represented one or more Ohio boards of education. Attorneys who are school board members themselves are also eligible for membership.

What is the cost?

The price for all of these services is a modest \$190 per year (\$95 for attorneys who are school board members). If you are interested in participating in the council, simply complete the enclosed application form and mail it to the Ohio School Boards Association.

OSBA's Chief Legal Counsel Hollie F. Reedy will be happy to answer any questions you have concerning OCSBA membership. Please feel free to contact her at (614) 540-4000 or (800) 589-OSBA.

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APPLICATION FORM

Name

Law Firm

Mailing Address

City/State/Zip Code

Daytime Phone

Fax Number

Email Address

Law Office Website:

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These are the primary school districts I represent:

I certify that I meet the membership criteria for OCSBA.

Signature

Date

Check one:

- Private counsel (\$190)
- County prosecutor (\$190)
- Law director (\$190)
- Attorney who is member of a board of education (\$95)

Please make checks payable to OSBA.

**Mail this form to:
Senior Administrative Associate of Legal Services
Ohio School Boards Association
8050 N. High St., Suite 100
Columbus, Ohio 43235-6481**

Questions? Contact the Ohio Council of School Board Attorneys at (614) 540-4000 or visit the Council's website at: <http://www.ohioschoolboards.org/ocsba>.

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