

# Mendocino Unified School District

## Bylaws of the Board

### Attorney

The Governing Board recognizes the complex legal environment in which school districts operate and desires reliable, dependable legal advice. The Board also supports collaborative legal efforts with other agencies and districts in order to promote the District's interests.

The Board may use the county counsel, district attorney, or private attorneys to meet the needs of the District.

The District's legal counsel may:

1. Render legal advice to the Board and the Superintendent or designee.
2. Serve the Board and the Superintendent or designee in the preparation and conduct of District litigation and administrative proceedings.

#### *EDUCATION CODE*

[35041](#) *Administrative adviser*

[35041.5](#) *Legal counsel: Relieving duties of county counsel and district attorney*

[35204](#) *Contract with attorney in private practice*

[35205](#) *Contract for legal services*

#### *GOVERNMENT CODE*

[814-895.8](#) *Liability of public entities and public employees*

[995-996.6](#) *Defense of public employees*

[26520](#) *Legal services to school districts*

## **Board Bylaw 9124**

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3. Render advice on school bond and tax increase measures and prepare the necessary forms for the voting of these measures.
4. Perform other administrative duties as assigned by the Board and Superintendent or designee.

The Superintendent may confer with the District's legal counsel at his/her discretion and shall provide the Board with desired legal information when so directed by a majority of the Board. The Board also may authorize a specific member to confer with legal counsel on behalf of the Board.