

**APPROVE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT IN
NEWTON V. CHICAGO SCHOOL REFORM BOARD OF TRUSTEES, et al.,
United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit No. 00-3761**

THE GENERAL COUNSEL REPORTS THE FOLLOWING SETTLEMENT:

DESCRIPTION: On August 31, 2001, the Law Department entered into a settlement agreement with Plaintiff Steve Newton, Jr. in the lawsuit brought by him against the Board in Newton v. Chicago School Reform Board of Trustees, No. 00-3761 (United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit). The lawsuit related to Mr. Newton's claim of breach of contract, conspiracy to deprive Newton of his equal protection or due process rights under 42 U.S.C. § 1985, deprivation of a property interest under 42 U.S.C. § 1983, and deprivation of a liberty interest under 42 U.S.C. § 1983. The settlement agreement provides a monetary payment to Plaintiff Steve Newton, Jr. of \$261,216.79, and \$38,783.21 to his attorney, Ronald S. Samuels.

LSC REVIEW: LSC approval is not applicable to this report.

FINANCIAL: Charge \$38,783.21 to Law Department
Budget Classification 0963-210-000-7072-5490
Charge \$261,216.79 to Law Department
Budget Classification 0963-210-000-1991-5113

AUTHORIZATION: Authorize the General Counsel to execute the Settlement Agreement, and all ancillary documents related thereto.

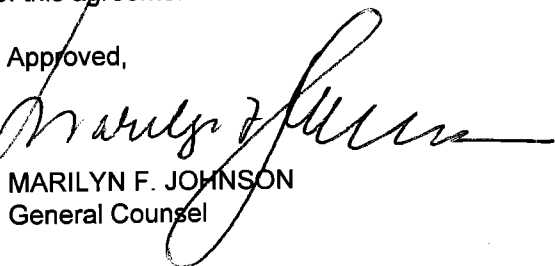
GENERAL CONDITIONS:

Inspector General - Each party to the agreement shall acknowledge that, in accordance with 105 ILCS 5/34-13.1, the Inspector General of the Chicago Board of Education has the authority to conduct certain investigations and that the Inspector General shall have access to all information and personnel necessary to conduct those investigations.

Conflicts - The agreement is not legally binding on the Board if entered into in violation of the provisions of 105 ILCS 5/34-21.3 which restricts the employment of, or the letting of contracts to, former Board Members during the one year period following expiration or other termination of their terms of office.

Indebtedness - The Board's Indebtedness Policy adopted July 26, 1995 (95-0726-EX3), as amended from time to time, is hereby incorporated into and made part of this agreement.

Ethics - The Board's Ethics Code adopted September 27, 1995 (95-0926-RU3), as amended from time to time, is hereby incorporated into and made part of this agreement.

Approved,

MARILYN F. JOHNSON
General Counsel

Within Appropriation:


KENNETH C. GOTSCH
Chief Fiscal Officer