

Office of Superintendent of Schools  
Board Meeting of December 13, 2000

November 29, 2000

Office of School Board Attorney  
Johnny Brown, Board Attorney

**SUBJECT: PROVISION OF LEGAL DEFENSE FOR ISHMAEL SAMUEL IN THE CASE OF RAYMOND BERRY, as Personal Representative of the Estate of DARLENE DOSS, deceased, v. ISHMAEL SAMUEL, Circuit Court Case No. 00-20795-CA-01**

The above styled lawsuit was filed in the State Court of the Eleventh Judicial Circuit in and for Miami-Dade County, Florida and served on November 6, 2000 on Ishmael Samuel, a school police officer. The lawsuit alleges that the Defendant negligently operated a School Board owned vehicle, causing an accident which resulted in the death of the Plaintiff decedent.

We are requesting that the School Board, pursuant to the authority vested in it under § 230.234, Florida Statutes (2000), authorize a legal defense for Mr. Samuel.

**RECOMMENDED:** That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, authorize the Office of the School Board Attorney to provide for the legal defense of Ishmael Samuel in the case of Raymond Berry, as Personal Representative of the Estate of Darlene Doss, deceased, v. Ishmael Samuel, Circuit Court Case No. 00-20795-CA-01.