

Office of School Board Attorney  
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**SUBJECT: PROVISION OF LEGAL REPRESENTATION FOR THE FOLLOWING MATTER: Milagros Rodriguez v. Griselda Stanfield, Miami Dade County School Board, Miami-Dade County Police School, Christian Lascano, Dania Guevara – (Dubraska Guevarra), Bryan Diaz, Ernesto Garcia, Adrian Barazal, Eduard Torrens – (Edward Torrens), Circuit Court Case No. 18-41945-CA-02**

On September 26, 2019, the original complaint in this lawsuit was amended to include the Miami-Dade County School Board, and several District employees as Defendants in the case. The complaint alleges that the Defendants are responsible for the malicious prosecution of the Plaintiff. In accordance with the District's established practice, the individually named Defendants, who are current employees of the school district, have formally requested that the School Board provide them with legal representation. The acts alleged in Plaintiff's Amended Complaint arose out of and in the course of the performance of assigned duties and responsibilities of the individually named employees.

Pursuant to School Board Policy 6900, *Legal Services for Employees of the Board* and § 1012.26 Fla. Stat. (2019), we are requesting that the School Board authorize the provision of legal representation for the individually named employee Defendants in the above-captioned lawsuit. In the interim, the Board Attorney's office will be filing the necessary documents with the Court to protect the employee Defendants' legal interests.

**RECOMMENDED:** That the School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, authorize the Office of the School Board Attorney to provide or secure legal representation for the legal defense of the current School Board employees who are individually named as a Defendants in the case of *Milagros Rodriguez vs. Griselda Stanfield et al.*, Circuit Court Case No 18-41945 CA 02.