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Hon. John A. Sweeney, AJSC (ret.) Chair Mailing Address: PO Box 627 Trenton, NJ 08625-0627

February 26, 2021

To: State Officials (listed on Attachment 1)

Re: Complaint filed by the Franklin Township Board of Education (0001-21)

I enclose herewith copies of a Complaint and related documents filed with the Council by the Franklin Township Board of Education. The Complaint was filed by William C. Morlok, Esq., Legal Counsel, on behalf of the Franklin Township Board of Education (via Email) on February 18, 2021.

An Answer to the Complaint on behalf of the State of New Jersey, Respondent, shall be filed within 20 days from the date of service of the Complaint by email to the Council office at <u>filings-clmand@treas.state.nj.us</u>. The original and two copies shall be delivered to the Council office and a copy shall be served on the Claimant. Proof of Service shall be sent to the Council office.

Judge Sweeney, Chair of the Council has requested that I schedule a Case Management Conference by telephone Monday, March 15, 2021, during which issues regarding discovery, motion practice and the like will be discussed. Please provide your dates and time of availability that week. I will get back to you with a conference call-in number.

You should notify this office as soon as possible if there are any changes to be made in the representation or contact information on any given Service List. The Service List will be updated as needed to identify those parties and others who are to be served with copies of pleadings; all filers should contact the Council office on or before the date of filing to obtain the most recently updated Service List. Procedure for filing and service of Answers, Motions, and Requests to Appear. The Council's Rules of Procedure provide additional information regarding the procedure to be followed for filing and service of pleadings. Those Rules are published on the Council's web site.

The Council office will maintain a service list to identify those parties and others who are to be provided or served with copies of filings. Anyone filing an Answer, Motion, or Request to Appear should contact the Council office on or before the date of filing to obtain the most recently updated service list.

Questions may be directed to me at the Council office or to Judge Sweeney. Judge Sweeney can be reached via cell at 609-864-1437, and the office number is 609-984-9739.

Very truly yours,

Hon. John A. Sweeney, AJSC (*ret.*) Council Chairman & Member

Shawn D. Slaughter Executive Administrator & Coordinator

By hand delivery and e-mail Enclosure/Attachments cc, w/enclosure/attachments: As on Attachment 2

ATTACHMENT 1

Honorable Gurbir S. Grewal Attorney General of the State of New Jersey Hughes Justice Complex 25 W. Market Street Trenton, NJ 08625

Parimal Garg, Esq. Chief Counsel to the Governor State House Trenton, NJ 08625

Honorable Stephen M. Sweeney, Senate President Senate Democratic Office State House Trenton, NJ 08625

Honorable Thomas H. Kean Jr. Senate Minority Leader Senate Republican Office State House Trenton, NJ 08625

Honorable Craig J. Coughlin Speaker of the General Assembly Assembly Democratic Office State House Trenton, NJ 08625

Honorable John Bramnick Minority Leader of the General Assembly Assembly Republican Office State House Trenton, NJ 08625

Linda Metzger Secretary of the Senate State House Trenton, NJ 08625

Dana M. Burley Clerk of the General Assembly State House Trenton, NJ 08625

ATTACHMENT 2: Copy of letter, w/enclosures and attachments, by email/fax to:

Claimant: Franklin Township Board of Education William C. Morlok, Esq., Legal Counsel 9000 Midlantic Drive, Ste. 300 PO Box 5054 Mount Laurel, NJ 08054

Copies of letter, w/enclosures and attachments, by email/fax to:

Marie Blistan President New Jersey Education Association 180 West State Street PO Box 1211 Trenton, NJ 08607-0112

Steven D. Swetsky Executive Director New Jersey Education Association 180 West State Street PO Box 1211 Trenton, NJ 08607-0112

Lawrence S. Feinsod, Ed. D. Executive Director New Jersey School Board Association 413 West State Street Trenton, NJ 08618

Copy of letter, w/enclosures and attachments, by mail to:

Honorable Angelica Allen-McMillan, Ed. D. Acting Commissioner Department of Education P.O. Box 500 Trenton, NJ 08625-0500

Christopher Weber, Assistant Chief, Deputy Attorney General Department of Education & Higher Education Division of Law P.O. Box 112 Trenton, NJ 08625-0112