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**VIA HAND DELIVERY (3 Copies)**

June 13, 2017

Ms. Regina Robinson  
Interim School Business Admin.  
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Lakewood Township Board of Education  
200 Ramsey Avenue  
Lakewood, New Jersey 08701

Re: **RFP for Legal Services 2017**

Dear Ms. Robinson:

I hope this letter finds you doing well.

Enclosed please find my response to the "Request for Proposal – School Board Attorney / Legal Services RFP 05-1718."

Please note that I *reserve the right* to withdraw said "RFP" prior to July 1, 2017, at any time, even if awarded if my wife of twenty-eight (28) years, Michelle Inzelbuch, and I conclude that I should not re-enter "the fray" of Lakewood Township Board of Education.

Please further note that my submission is contingent upon the following occurring and/or being advised:

1. The public school children of Lakewood, New Jersey, have restored to them a "Thorough and Efficient" ("T & G") education as determined by the Superintendent, and, without

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the local taxpayers being assessed any additional tax burden due to same.

Should same not occur any and all legal action shall be authorized to obtain what is their right, to wit, a "T & A" education.

2. The Lakewood Township Board of Education approving someone to fill the position of *Superintendent of Schools by June 30, 2017.*

While I am not privy to the current candidates for said position, unless and until (*and if*) someone exceeds the stellar credentials of the current Superintendent (Laura Winters), I request that she be reappointed immediately. Said request is primarily for two reasons, to wit, promoting immediate stability to our public schools, and, based on my knowledge of her work ethic and genuine concern for Lakewood students.

Should the Board reappoint Superintendent Laura Winters there will need to be a firm commitment that the Board and Monitors allow her to serve as the Chief Education Officer *unlike what, I believe, has occurred until now.*

3. I return to the position of "Non-Public Special Education Consultant" at my former salary *with benefits.*

The purpose of this is to stop the unnecessary expenditure of public funds (as to non-public issues), *where possible*, for attorneys reviewing the many issues that face the non-public community as I have been advised is currently occurring.

I would also request that all non-public services be *centralized* and that all current administrators involved in the delivery of non-public services be re-assigned to positions wherein their skills and salaries be utilized for public school children at the Superintendent's discretion (i.e., not Board)

4. The vendor who, *reportedly*, charged the district more than ninety-thousand dollars (\$90,000.00) to *allegedly* assess the district's special education programming not be paid any additional monies until a complete review and analysis of their findings occurs, and, until all supporting documentation be "turned over" to the payor, to wit, the Board/District, *something I understand has been thwarted/denied.*

Should the vendor refuse to do so immediate legal action be instituted.

5. The Board immediately hire a *public relations firm* to promote the public schools and their multi-faceted needs.
6. While the RFP "reads" that the attorney serve as "Board Parliamentarian" I do not desire said position. Moreover, if required to attend meetings I request that all professional staff be placed "to the side" as it is my opinion that the Board Present and the Board should "run" all public Board of Education meetings, not like what occurs, *in my opinion*, currently.
7. Several former employees be hired as "consultants" to assist the district's non-public programs and services that, in my opinion, due to a host of issues is less than stellar. (Funding for same can be assessed through non-public designated funds - - - not public funds.)
8. All vendor contracts for the upcoming 2017-2018 school year as to non-public services be reviewed and subject to change within the confines of law and best practice.
9. The Board immediately hire a full-time Transportation Director *in lieu of the current "situation"*, to wit, an individual who is either employed by the district, or, serves as a consultant to review public school routes for efficiencies, effectiveness and the like.

As the Monitors are aware, despite their *valiant* efforts, the transportation “situation” is less than stellar and, in my opinion, on the verge of implosion.

In addition, as the Municipal Governing Body is aware, the district has performed less than satisfactory in the provision of public school bussing causing students and public school teacher much “grief”, and, causing unnecessary and inefficient costs.

10. The “Sidebar” with the LEA be immediately replaced, to wit, the Union President be required to teach, which in many Ocean County school districts is the norm. *In my opinion*, the recent “Sidebar” is against best practice.
11. A committee of licensed educators, public school parents/guardians, and experts/consultants be immediately formed to review the status of the district’s public special education “situation” in an effort to vastly improve and expand the delivery of services.
12. A review of the proposed Contract/Agreement between the Lakewood Board of Education and myself, *should I have the privilege of being selected*, by my counsel and approved by the State Monitor.
13. The ability of the undersigned to assemble a “legal team” consisting of David Rubin, Esquire; Edward Dauber, Esquire; Leigh M. Manasevit, Esquire; etc., who will vigorously defend and *proactively* litigate matters (if they are available) on behalf of the district. As to experts, Sue Gamm, Esquire and other noted educational professionals also will need to be assembled. It is understood that the Board will render payment to these individuals.

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14. The undersigned will oversee all legal efforts/matters in consultation with the Superintendent and Monitor, however, it is understood that I have the options to “assign” those matters wherein I may possess a conflict and/or have minimal experience with (i.e., Bond work) with the Board directly rendering payment to said individuals for their work under my directive.
15. A firm commitment of the Board Monitors, Superintendent, and the Board to work with the undersigned as to the above.

All the above should NOT be “new” to the Board and/or the State Monitors and/or the Superintendent.

Nevertheless, should the Board, Superintendent, and State Monitors opt not to agree to the above I truly understand, however, my RFP submission should then be deemed withdrawn.

**As Dr. Ernest Cannava (former Superintendent of Schools, mentor, and friend) stated “Lakewood Blue Piners runs thru his (my) blood”, however, I am here to help foster a *resurgence* of Lakewood Township Schools and not “suck the blood out” any further without the possibility of tangible results.**

Moreover, I submit the following:

1. Completed Documents as requested;
2. Certificate of Employee Information Report;
3. State of New Jersey Business Registration Certificate;
4. Employee Information Report;
5. Certificate of Liability Insurance;
6. IRS Employer Identification Number documentation;
7. Criminal History Review (CHR) payment confirmation;

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8. My current Resume and additional reference letters from the following individuals:
  - Jennifer L. Carney, Supervisor of Special Education – Jackson Township School District
  - Raymond G. Coles, Mayor, Township of Lakewood
  - Marie Fallas, Mother of Public School Children
  - Frank P. Cavallo, Jr., Esquire and Brett E.J. Gorman, Esquire, Parker McCay, P.A.
  - Edward W. Luick, Former Superintendent of Lakewood Schools
  - Mrs. Marcy J. Marshall, Principal, Lakewood Township High School
  - John Schuster, III, Esquire (retired Administrative Law Judge, Mercerville)
  - Lydia Rose Silva, Former Superintendent of Lakewood Schools
  - Robert W. Singer, Senator, District 30
9. A sampling of cases, articles, Decisions, etc., wherein the undersigned represented the Lakewood Township Board of Education and/or concerns the Lakewood Township Board of Education.

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Lastly, I will not accept the position (if granted) unless I have an opportunity to meet with the entire Board for an interview prior to same and have the backing of all of the Board members to embark on what I consider to be a mission, to wit, the refocusing of efforts on public school children almost exclusively and the provision of the legally dictated services available to non-public students in an efficient and collaborative manner.

Sincerely yours,

*Michael I. Inzelsbuch, Esquire*

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Enclosures/Attachments (see above)

cc (with enclosures): State Monitor David Shafter  
State Monitor Michael Azzara  
Superintendent Laura Winters  
Board President Barry Iann  
Honored Board Members

Dictated Only