Sept. 12, 2014

Scott O’Connell

Dear Mr. O’Connell:

This letter is in response to your request for information under the Illinois Freedom of Information Act. Your request was received on Sept. 5, 2014.

You have requested the following:

Request 1: All formal and informal written opinions of the Legal Advisor of the State Board of Education that interpret directly or mention the Duties, Responsibilities, and Qualifications of the School Treasurer as enacted within the School Code. (See 105 ILCS 5/2-3.7, “Legal adviser of school officers - Opinions. To be the legal adviser of school officers, and, when requested by any school officer, to give an opinion in writing upon any question arising under the school laws of the State.”).

Response 1: Pursuant to 5 ILCS 140/7 (1) (m), this portion of your request is denied as disclosure of such opinions would breach the attorney/client privilege.

Request 2: Please provide all subsequent publications of the ISBE that discuss the Duties, Responsibilities, and Qualifications of the School Treasurer as enacted within the School Code. (Informational Bulletins, Handbooks, etc.).

Response 2: The attached documents (15-067-oconnell-doc1.pdf and 15-067-oconnell-doc2.pdf) have been provided in response to this portion of your request.

If you feel you have been denied your access to public records, you may file an appeal with the Office of the Attorney General’s Public Access Counselor at 500 S. Second St., Springfield, IL 62706 or publicaccess@atg.state.il.us. If you choose to submit a request for review, you must do so within 60 days after the date of this response letter. The request for review must be in writing, signed by you and include (i) a copy of your FOIA request and (ii) this office’s response. In addition, you have the right to seek judicial review of this response.

If you have questions, please contact Megan Griffin at (217) 782-4648 or mgriffin@isbe.net.

Sincerely,
Matt Vanover
Director of Public Information

Attachments