

Subject: Fwd: Time sensitive legal request
From: Eric Bush <bushe@mokena159.org>
Date: 4/4/2024, 10:02 PM
To: School Board <schoolboard@mokena159.org>

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From: **Eric Bush** <bushe@mokena159.org>
Date: Tue, Apr 2, 2024 at 9:32 PM
Subject: Re: Time sensitive legal request
To: Julie Oost <oostj@mokena159.org>
Cc: Mark Cohen <cohenm@mokena159.org>

Julie/Dr. Cohen - I am not an expert on cease and desist orders. How do we obtain this order? If we obtained one, who do we send it to?

What is the process and timing to obtain a trademark?

Are suggesting we get John Fester to provide a cost estimate for both matters and then determine if it is the Board's will to proceed?

Regards,

Eric

On Tue, Apr 2, 2024 at 10:05 AM Julie Oost <oostj@mokena159.org> wrote:

I am again requesting a legal opinion, including an estimate of what it would take to TM the logos. I've done that work in the past with DC and Chicago firms and it shouldn't be cost prohibitive if it is the will of the board. Seems like something we should consider in order to protect the district from misuse.

The board was upset about the 159 Parent Council FB page being even remotely linked to the district but now we are hands off? I'd like the board to show some support to all members.

Julie Oost
Board Member
Mokena School District 159
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On Tue, Apr 2, 2024 at 9:55 AM Mark Cohen <cohenm@mokena159.org> wrote:

Board policy 8:90 states that groups acting as a parent organization or booster club must have our consent to use the logo. That said, the logo is not copyrighted or trademarked. I doubt that using a logo without a trademark would be considered illegal.

On Tue, Apr 2, 2024 at 9:40 AM Julie Oost <oostj@mokena159.org> wrote:

I haven't because I would like to know if it is illegal.

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On Tue, Apr 2, 2024 at 9:28 AM Mark Cohen <cohenm@mokena159.org> wrote:

I cannot access this website with my school issued device due to our security software. Have you filed a complaint with the website host? Thanks.

Mark

On Tue, Apr 2, 2024 at 9:07 AM Julie Oost <oostj@mokena159.org> wrote:

Eric, I request an immediate legal opinion about the use of the district logo for a petition on change.org. It is not appropriate that the logo be used for this purpose. A cease and desist in the use of the district logos should be immediately sent.

Here is a screenshot of the image:



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Thank you,

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