**Fenton Community High School District 100**
**Memorandum**

**To:** Jason Klein, Superintendent

**From:** Rick Kambic, Director of Communications and Community Engagement

**RE:** Donation - Illinois Practice Series Volumes 25 and 26: Illinois DUI Law and Practice Guidebook

## Background

The donation includes *Illinois Practice Series, Volumes 25 and 26: DUI Law and Practice Guidebook*, a comprehensive legal reference published by Thomson Reuters. The two-volume collection examines Illinois laws and court decisions related to driving under the influence, including criminal investigations, evidence collection, legal procedures, and courtroom proceedings.

These books are authored by DUI defense attorney Donald J. Ramsell, a Fenton graduate from the Class of 1976. Mr. Ramsell donated the books on October 2, 2026, while touring Fenton High School as part of his class's 50th reunion celebration.

Mr. Ramsell is the founding attorney and managing partner of Ramsell and Associates, LLC, and a former president of the DuPage County Bar Association. He specializes in DUI and criminal defense law and has argued cases before both the Illinois and U.S. Supreme Courts.

## Specific Considerations

The books will serve as supplemental resources for students in Fenton's Criminal Justice classes as well as for other relevant coursework, curriculum, and skills. These books provide opportunities to examine actual legal cases, better understand the criminal justice process, and explore the responsibilities of law enforcement officers, attorneys, and other legal professionals.

This professional legal reference examines Illinois DUI laws, court decisions, and legal procedures relevant to both prosecution and defense. It provides students with access to materials they would not ordinarily encounter in a high school classroom, further enriching their educational experiences.

Additionally, knowing that an alumnus authored the guidebook used by actual legal professionals will empower our students and provide an example of what they, too, can accomplish after graduation.

**Recommendation to the Board**

Administration recommends that the Board of Education approve the acceptance of *Illinois Practice Series, Volumes 25 and 26: DUI Law and Practice Guidebook* valued at $1,277.00 to support current and future students at Fenton High School..