



**FOREST LAKE AREA SCHOOLS
FOREST LAKE, MN 55025**

Date: February 12, 2026

AGENDA ITEM: 9.5c

TOPIC: APPOINTMENT OF SCHOOL DISTRICT LEGAL COUNSEL

BACKGROUND: At the January 8, 2026 Organizational Meeting the following legal counsel was appointed: Hitesman & Wold, P.A.; Feist Law and Advocacy PLLC; Maslon, LLP, Jim Martin Law Firm.

At the January 22, 2026 School Board meeting the following legal counsel was appointed: Laura Tubbs Booth of Ratwik, Roszak & Malony, PA; Adam Frudden of Ratwik, Roszak & Malony, PA; Alex Ivan of Kennedy & Graven; Joseph Langel of Ratwik, Roszak & Molony, PA

PROCESS: The following firms are recommended for appointment to provide school district legal counsel:

- Margaret Skelton - Ratwik, Roszak & Malony, PA
- Peter Martin - Kennedy & Graven
- Greg Madsen - Kennedy & Graven
- Beck Law Group
- Pemberton Law

RECOMMENDATION: Administration recommends approval of additional legal counsel.