

October 7, 2024

**Via Electronic Mail**

David J. Freeman  
550 Warrenville Road, Suite 460  
Lisle, Illinois 60532  
dfreeman@robbins-schwartz.com

**RE: RESPONSE TO FOIA REQUEST**

Dear Mr. Freeman:

This letter and enclosure constitute the response of Winfield School District No. 34 (the “District”) to your request for information pursuant to the Illinois *Freedom of Information Act* (“FOIA”), 5 ILCS 140/1 *et seq.*, received on September 30, 2024.

You requested the following:

“[P]lease provide all records of legal and consultant expenses incurred from November 1, 2023, to the present related to the lawsuit filed by District 34 against the Village of Winfield. Detail showing what tasks were performed is not requested. From our previous FOIA request, we have received your response dated August 30, 2024 which included records for billings dated June 30, 2024. We are seeking records of billings since that date”

Your request is granted. See the enclosed records.

Although we have not intended to deny access to any requested document, to the extent you believe otherwise, you may have a right to have this response reviewed by the Public Access Counselor (“PAC”) at the Office of the Attorney General. 5 ILCS 140/9.5(a). You can file your Request for Review with the PAC by writing to:

Public Access Counselor  
Office of the Attorney General  
500 South 2nd Street  
Springfield, Illinois 62706  
Fax: 217-782-1396  
Email: [public.access@ilag.gov](mailto:public.access@ilag.gov)

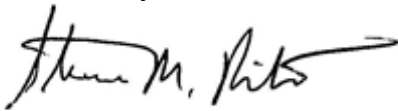
If you choose to file a Request for Review with the PAC, you must do so within 60 days of the date of this letter. 5 ILCS 140/9.5(a). Please note that you must include a copy of your

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original FOIA request and this letter when filing a Request for Review with the PAC. You also have the right to seek judicial review of any denial by filing a lawsuit in the State circuit court. 5 ILCS 140/11.

As legal counsel for the District, I am responsible for the District's response to your FOIA request, in consultation with the District's Superintendent and FOIA Officer. If I have misunderstood your request in any way, please clarify your request in writing to me.

Sincerely,



Steven M. Richart

cc: Dr. Matt Rich, Superintendent/FOIA Officer

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Winfield, IL 60190

July 31, 2024

Invoice No. 63019

## **WIN-34 v VILLAGE OF WINFIELD**

TOTAL SERVICES FOR THIS MATTER	\$20,258.00
TOTAL EXPENSES FOR THIS MATTER	\$3,125.00

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August 31, 2024

Invoice No. 63292

## **WIN-34 v VILLAGE OF WINFIELD**

TOTAL SERVICES FOR THIS MATTER	\$29,111.50
TOTAL EXPENSES FOR THIS MATTER	\$14,008.31