

AUTHORIZATION TO RETAIN THE SERVICES OF JUDITH BOCKEL POPPELL, PH. D., TO CONDUCT A HISTORICAL REVIEW OF THE DISTRICT'S STUDENT ASSIGNMENT TRENDS AND TO OFFER AN EXPERT OPINION OF COMPLIANCE UNDER THE

REGATION CONSENT DECREE

DESEGR

Retention of the expert services of Judith Bockel Poppel, Ph.D.

consent decree to which it has been subject since 1980. To that end, the law
several individuals to serve as experts in various education-related disciplines
data relevant to specific programs deals under the
education, personnel, financial, and operational components
transportation and facility maintenance and construction
will generate a summary report assessing historical
making recommendations with respect to any areas
of action regarding the consent decree

of the federal desegregation
department seeks to retain s
these individuals will collect and examine the available
education programs, bilingual education programs, trans
Following the experts' review, we anticipate that each
achievements and, correspondingly, identifying and m
of action regarding the consent decree

ized expert in the area of public education

Dr. Poppel comes highly recommended as a nationally recog

former director of academic initiatives at the University of North
school districts in the north Florida region. Dr. Poppel previously served as the
general director of Academic/Special Programs and as the general director of student assignment
former educator, having been a principal, assistant principal, and teacher in the Duval County
insurance services in many school desegregation cases in Florida and

the university, and the K-12
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system. She has provided expert
surrounding southern states.

Dr. Poppel will conduct a detailed, school-by-school assessment of our
our magnet school and programs). In addition to reviewing the multitude
of student assignment materials maintained by the district, Dr. Poppel will interview student assignment and
decreed student assignment goals, presently and historically; and offer recommendations for the
We expect that a draft report will issue in April of 2002.

With respect to the present project, D
student assignment trends (including

approximately 4 months
two installments
payment on a monthly basis

approximately \$2,000,000 that cost breaks down to an estimated consultant time of approx
on travel at an hourly rate of \$150.00. Dr. Poppel has requested payment in
We have requested that she submit hourly billing statements to the law dep

LSC REVIEW: LSC approval is not applicable to this report.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION STATUS: Not applicable

FINANCIALS: Grant \$2,000,000 to Law Department, Legal and Support
Services; Budget Classification: Fiscal Year 2002

GENERAL CONDITIONS:

Inspector General - Each party to the agreement shall acknowledge that, in accordance with 105 ILCS 5/34-

inspects, audits and controls the financial operations of the State of Illinois. The State of Illinois hereby grants the authority to conduct certain investigations, and the Inspector General shall have access to all information and personnel necessary to conduct these investigations.

Conflicts: The agreement shall not be legally binding on the Board entered into in violation of the provisions

of the Illinois Constitution. The agreement shall not be binding on any member of the Board who is not a member of the Board at the time the agreement is entered into.

Indebtedness: The Board's Indebtedness Policy adopted July 26, 1995, (95-0726-EX3), as amended from time to time, is hereby incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

Ethics: The Board's Ethics Code adopted September 27, 1995, (95-0927-RU3), as amended from time to time, is hereby incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

Budgets: The Board's Budgetary Control System adopted September 27, 1995, (95-0927-RU3), as amended from time to time, is hereby incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

Approved,

General Counsel

With Appropriation

KENNETH C. GOTSCH
Chief Fiscal Officer