

SCHOOL BOARD LIABILITY

The School Board, as a political subdivision, can sue and be sued as a corporate body for its actions. The Board should act prudently and responsibly in performing its responsibilities. However, for circumstances in which Board action may be challenged through lawsuits, the Board shall secure adequate liability insurance coverages for the Board, both individually and collectively, as well as all teachers, employees, and volunteers of the school district. Proper legal representation shall also be obtained as the Board may determine.

Ref: Constitution of Louisiana, Art. VIII, Sec. 9, La. Rev. Stat. Ann. §§17:51, 17:52, 17:81; Wood v. Strickland, 95 S.Ct. 992 (1975); Monell v. Department of Social Services of New York, 98 S.Ct. 2018, 2035-36 (1978); Owen v. City of Independence, Mo., 98 S.Ct. 3318 (1978); Harlow v. Fitzgerald, 1102 S. Ct. 2727 (1982).