## **Legal Program**

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The Barnett Foundation, Inc. ("we," "us," or "our"), preserves the right to coordinate and organize our "Legal Program" following Florida Statute 1002.206 as well as but not limited to Florida Statue 1000.05. When considering an application for legal assistance we only consider the above mentioned laws. For an applicant to be accepted into the "Legal Program" the applicant must have faced a violation from a school district, school, or staff member of a school based on the statutes mentioned above following discrimination on the primary basis of religious beliefs, acts, and or expression.

If accepted, a participant of our "Legal Program" will be provided with either 1, legal representation 2, connection with a legal representative 3, funding for a legal representative, or 4 assistance in mediation processes. If appointed or provided a legal representative (attorney) we will (if the applicant meets the requirements), provide funding to cover legal expenditures which include but are not limited to; hourly attorney fees, document processing, filing fee(s), and trial.

Per the applicant, we will provide and allocate only the necessary hourly attorney fee unless a lawsuit is filed and there is a need for an allocation of additional funds for document processing fees and trial fees. When applying for our legal program via our consultation services an applicant must state if they plan to take legal action against a school district or request legal assistance for mediation of a complaint.

If a participant of our legal program requests legal assistance for mediation, we will not be required to hire and or appoint an attorney for the applicant but will guide and assist in the mediation process via our legal network/services. If an applicant who is requesting legal assistance for mediation wishes to appoint a lawyer to speed up the mediation process the applicant will be required to refile an application for our legal program.

If there are any questions concerning The Barnett Foundation's "Legal Program" you can contact us at the following: <a href="mailto:Thebarnettfoundation@gmail.com">Thebarnettfoundation@gmail.com</a>