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The Honorable Jea P. Street, Councilman 10th District
Louis L. Redding City County Building
800 N. French Street, 8th Floor
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Re: Request for an Attorney General's Opinion

Dear Councilman Street,

By letter dated October 1, 2009 you requested an "Attorney General's Opinion" on five issues relating to the constitutional and statutory rights of children in the City of Wilmington and the Colonial and Christina school districts. The authority of the Department of Justice to give "Attorney General's Opinions" is set forth in 29 *Del. C.* § 2504(2). There are limitations on that authority, including that such opinions may only be given to the agencies that we represent. Thus, we must respectfully decline to respond to your request.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Very truly yours,

Lawrence W. Lewis
State Solicitor