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VIA E-MAIL ONLY

John O'Connor
Attorney General, State of Oklahoma
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Dear General O'Connor,

I am in receipt of your correspondence of April 8, 2022, relating to Stillwater Public Schools (the "District"). In this correspondence, you state that you have been informed that the Oklahoma State Department of Education (the "OSDE") likely informed the District as to what it is required to do relating to usage of restroom facilities. That is not accurate. Based at least in part on principles in Oklahoma law regarding local control, the OSDE does not provide legal advice or representation to local school districts, and it did not do so in this instance.

I hope this information is helpful to clarify this matter. If you receive information in the future regarding what the OSDE has or has not done, please let me know. As you know from our ongoing professional dealings on various issues, we are always available to discuss and collaborate. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or want to further discuss these matters.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Brad Clark".

Brad S. Clark
General Counsel