

April 3, 2026

Via Electronic Mail

David J. Freeman
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Lisle, Illinois 60532
dfreeman@robbins-schwartz.com

RE: RESPONSE TO FOIA REQUEST

Dear Mr. Freeman:

This letter and enclosure constitute the response of Winfield School District No. 34 (the "District") to your request for information pursuant to the Illinois *Freedom of Information Act* ("FOIA"), 5 ILCS 140/1 *et seq.*, received on March 27, 2026.

You requested the following:

"Pursuant to FOIA, please provide all records of legal and consultant expenses incurred from November 1, 2023, to the present related to the lawsuit filed by District 34 against the Village of Winfield. Detail showing what tasks were performed is not requested. From our previous FOIA request, we have received your response dated December 1, 2025 which included records for billings dated September 30, 2025. We are seeking records of billings since that date. Thank you."

Your request is granted. See the enclosed records.

Although we have not intended to deny access to any requested document, to the extent you believe otherwise, you may have a right to have this response reviewed by the Public Access Counselor ("PAC") at the Office of the Attorney General. 5 ILCS 140/9.5(a). You can file your Request for Review with the PAC by writing to:

Public Access Counselor
Office of the Attorney General
500 South 2nd Street
Springfield, Illinois 62706
Fax: 217-782-1396
Email: public.access@ilag.gov

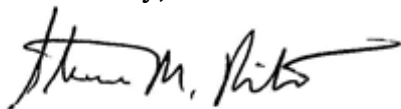
If you choose to file a Request for Review with the PAC, you must do so within 60 days of the date of this letter. 5 ILCS 140/9.5(a). Please note that you must include a copy of your original FOIA

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request and this letter when filing a Request for Review with the PAC. You also have the right to seek judicial review of any denial by filing a lawsuit in the State circuit court. 5 ILCS 140/11.

As legal counsel for the District, I am responsible for the District's response to your FOIA request, in consultation with the District's Superintendent and FOIA Officer. If I have misunderstood your request in any way, please clarify your request in writing to me.

Sincerely,



Steven M. Richart

Encl.

cc: Dr. Matt Rich, Superintendent/FOIA Officer

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Office of the Superintendent
0S150 Winfield Road
Winfield, IL 60190

October 31, 2025
Invoice No. 67430

WIN-34 v VILLAGE OF WINFIELD

TOTAL SERVICES FOR THIS MATTER

\$3,615.00

Payments received after the invoice date above, will not be reflected on this invoice.

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November 24, 2025
Invoice No. 67736

WIN-34 v VILLAGE OF WINFIELD

TOTAL SERVICES FOR THIS MATTER

\$21,920.00

Payments received after the invoice date above, will not be reflected on this invoice.

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December 31, 2025
Invoice No. 68050

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TOTAL EXPENSES FOR THIS MATTER

\$84.65