

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Board of School Directors (“School Board”) of the Coatesville Area School District (“School District”) recognizes its need for school police officers to enforce the school laws and other laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, as well as aspects of its Code of Student Conduct, such as where disciplinary offenses may be criminal in nature;

WHEREAS, the School Board recognizes there is a need for school police officers to patrol the various school buildings and to provide a visible presence of law enforcement on school grounds;

WHEREAS, Mr. Frank Galbraith has expressed his willingness and availability to serve as a school police officer for the School District;

WHEREAS, the School District is informed that Mr. Galbraith has obtained the requisite Act 120 Pennsylvania Municipal Police Training, requisite firearms qualifications, and any other training mandated by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Police Education and Training Commission for certification as a municipal police officer in the Commonwealth;

WHEREAS, based upon the information given to the School District, it believes Mr. Galbraith has the skill and experience necessary to serve as a school police officer in a professional manner;

WHEREAS, the School Board desires Mr. Galbraith, as school police officer, to exercise all powers and duties permitted by 24 P.S. § 7-778, including the powers as are now or may hereafter be exercised under authority of law or ordinance by the police of the municipalities where the School District’s property is located; the power to arrest; the power to issue citations for summary offenses; and the power to detain students until the arrival of local law enforcement;

WHEREAS, the School Board also desires that Mr. Galbraith, as school police officer, be authorized to carry a firearm in the course of his duties as a school police officer, provided the School Board authorizes or directs Mr. Galbraith to carry a firearm in the course of his duties; and

WHEREAS, the School Board recognizes that in order for Mr. Galbraith to serve as a school police officer for the School District he must, pursuant to 24 P.S. § 7-778, be appointed school police officer of the Coatesville Area School District by the Court of Common Pleas of Chester County, Pennsylvania.

NOW, THEREFORE, *be it resolved* as follows:

The Levin Legal Group, P.C. is authorized to initiate and prosecute a petition under 24 P.S. § 7-778 in the name of the School District seeking the appointment by the Court of Common Pleas of Chester County of Mr. Frank Galbraith as a school police officer for the School District, whereby Mr. Galbraith will be authorized to exercise the above-described powers and duties and to carry a firearm in the course of his duties as a school police officer, provided the School Board authorizes or directs Mr. Galbraith to carry a firearm in the course of his duties.