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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE
SUPERIOR COURT DIVISION
95 CVS 1158

COUNTY OF WAKE WAKE COUNTY, C.S.C.

HOKE COUNTY BOARD OF
EDUCATION, *et al.*,

Plaintiffs,

and

ASHEVILLE CITY BOARD OF
EDUCATION, *et al.*,

Plaintiff-Intervenors,

v.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, *et al.*,

Defendants.

**CONSENT ORDER APPOINTING
CONSULTANT**

THIS MATTER is before the Court regarding the appointment of an independent, non-party consultant pursuant to the *Case Management and Scheduling Order* issued by this Court on February 1, 2018 (the "Case Management Order").

WHEREAS, Defendant State of North Carolina (the "State") and Plaintiffs Hoke County Board of Education, *et al.* and Penn Plaintiff-Intervenors (collectively, "Plaintiff Parties") jointly nominated, for the Court's consideration and appointment, WestEd to serve as the independent, non-party consultant referenced in the Case Management Order;

WHEREAS, the State and Plaintiff Parties jointly submitted to the Court information concerning the qualifications of WestEd, as well as materials describing WestEd's written proposal for the consultancy and proposed work plan;

WHEREAS, undersigned counsel of record for the State and Plaintiff Parties have certified to the Court, as evidenced by their signatures below and pursuant to Paragraph 2 of the Case Management Order, that WestEd has represented that it is prepared, willing, and able to

take on the task of serving as a consultant in this case and complying with the terms of the Case Management Order, and that it intends to serve if selected by the Court.

For good cause shown, and upon consideration of the materials and information jointly submitted by the State and Plaintiff Parties, all matters of record before the Court, the consent of the State and Plaintiff Parties, and pursuant to this Court's inherent authority to manage cases before it, the Court hereby appoints WestEd to serve as the independent, non-party consultant pursuant to the terms of the Case Management Order. This appointment is effective as of the date hereof.


This the 17th day of March, 2018.



The Honorable W. David Lee
North Carolina Superior Court Judge


EVIDENCE OF CONSENT:

Counsel for State of North Carolina



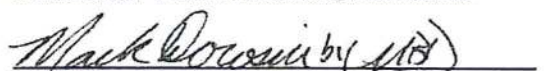
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