



STATE ELECTION BOARD

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed the needs of the Executive Director and the staff of the Board and determined that the Board and its staff would benefit from research projects into the Board's past activities and the actions of the General Assembly;

WHEREAS, the Board is aware that its separation from the Secretary of State has led to a dearth of resources for its activities and members of the Board have discussed their needs with the Executive Director and asked him to explore obtaining counsel or other support for the Board for administration, drafting, research, and other opportunities;

WHEREAS, the Executive Director has discussed the needs of the staff and the Board with outside parties, including the Attorney General's lawyers and legal professionals;

WHEREAS, the Attorney General's office has advised the Executive Director that the Attorney General's office is, in the absence of legal conflict, the appropriate legal representative of the Board and employees of the State of Georgia, but has also advised that the Board and its staff may seek assistance from legal professionals in non-litigation matters, including research, drafting, and administration;

WHEREAS the Executive Director is aware of law schools that could, with appropriate authorization from the Board, establish an externship program for legal training for law students interested in a career in government service;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Executive Director be directed and empowered to seek such additional resources as he may deem necessary in his sole and independent judgment or such resources as may be requested by a Board member to research and draft and prepare legislative reports and other reports and that such efforts may be conducted by legal interns, through an externship program made available by a law school or other school training professionals in government service, for course credit or, if an internship program, for such amounts as may be available for assistance to the Board for such purposes as deemed necessary by the Executive Director;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT all actions taken and transactions entered into by the Board and the Executive Director for research and investigation and acts or failures to act concerning all matters referred to in the foregoing resolution be, and they hereby are ratified, confirmed, and approved in all respects;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT that the Executive Director and his duly appointed agents be, and they hereby are, authorized in the name and on behalf of the Board, to do any act or thing that may be necessary or, in his judgment, desirable to carry out the foregoing resolution(s) and such persons be empowered to execute and deliver any and all contracts, deeds, and writings of any nature with respect the foregoing.

Adopted by the State Election Board on July 8, 2026