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RE: Jenkins County School District

Dear Ms. Lawrence:

This firm represents the Jenkins County School District, and your letter dated September 3, 2025, has been forwarded to us for a review and response.

The Superintendent and elementary school administration met with Ms. [REDACTED] to discuss and explain the First Amendment as it relates to Free Exercise Clause and how requiring children to pray prior to lunch could be a violation. Ms. [REDACTED] has agreed to refrain from requiring any such student recitation.

We believe that this adequately addresses your and the referenced JCSS parent concerns. Any further correspondence regarding this or any other matters may be directed to this firm.

Very truly yours,


Cory O. Kirby

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cc: Dr. John Paul Hearn, Superintendent
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