

General Counsel Report
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General Counsel is retained to provide guidance for the Commission and its Committees with respect to legal issues related to their duties and responsibilities under MIC3 terms and its by-laws and rules. Actively participating in both dispute resolution and litigation matters related to enforcement of the Compact provisions and rules, Counsel also advises the Commission on issues pertaining to investigation, compliance, and enforcement responsibilities.

During this period, General Counsel:

- **Supported governance and financial sustainability initiatives** by collaborating with the Finance and Rules Committee to develop and draft amendments to Compact Rule *SEC. 2.103 Dues Formula*, strengthening the Commission's long-term fiscal framework.
- **Provided legal counsel and strategic communications support** to the Executive Committee and National Office in responding to member state inquiries regarding the proposed *SEC. 2.103 Dues Formula* amendment, ensuring clarity, consistency, and transparency throughout the rulemaking process.
- **Strengthening member state compliance and accountability** by advising on and drafting compliance-related communications, conducting follow-up analysis, and supporting appointing authorities in meeting statutory requirements for state council operations and reporting obligations.
- **Advanced member state implementation efforts** through the development of a legal memorandum outlining proposed policy language related to the Uniformed Services Child School Transition Act, providing states with practical guidance and legal considerations for adoption and administration.
- **Providing ongoing legal guidance to the Commission and member states** on matters involving state statutes, public records requests, compliance issues, and other legal inquiries affecting Compact operations.
- **Supporting the effective administration of the Compact** by reviewing case-related legal matters and advising member states on inquiries and compliance issues, promoting consistent application of Compact provisions across jurisdictions.