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*1 Honorable Cleo Fennell
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Dear Cleo:

Thank you for your letter of November 7, 1973, concerning the practice of teachers, aids, and members of the Board of Education and School Trustees who are sending their children to private schools.

Although I agree wholeheartedly with your position and share your concern that this practice is not in the best interest of the School District, there is, in my opinion, no legal basis upon which to object to a teacher or official of a school system from sending their children to whatever school they are minded to send them. Instead, it is a matter of public concern which everyone is free to express an opinion upon, but legally there is no objection to the practice. It is the same as the criticism which has been leveled at members of Congress who vote for bussing measures and who send their children to private schools.

With best wishes and thanks for your kind remarks about my son,
Cordially,

Daniel R. McLeod
Attorney General

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