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OPINION LETTER NO. 196

Dr. Arthur L. Mallory  
Commissioner of Education  
State Board of Education  
Jefferson State Office Building  
Jefferson City, Missouri 65101

Dear Dr. Mallory:

This is in answer to your request for our review and certification of the Missouri State Board of Education's Application for Grant to Strengthen a State Department of Education under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, Title V, Section 503, Public Law 89-10, as amended, for fiscal year 1973.

It is the opinion of this office that the Missouri State Board of Education is the agency in this State primarily responsible for State supervision of public elementary and secondary schools and is the "State Educational Agency" as defined in Section 801(k) of Title VIII of Public Law 89-10, as amended; and that the State Board of Education has the authority under State law to submit an application for a grant pursuant to Section 503 of Title V, Public Law 89-10. See Sections 161.092 and 178.430, RSMo 1969.

In conjunction with this Letter Opinion which constitutes our official certification of the application, we have completed the required certification form.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "John C. Danforth".

JOHN C. DANFORTH  
Attorney General