

## DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA | OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL

October 25, 2023

Glen Lee Chief Financial Officer Office of the Chief Financial Officer 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Suite 203 Washington, DC 20004 Dr. Lewis D. Ferebee Chancellor District of Columbia Public Schools 1200 First Street NE, Suite 1230 Washington, DC 20002

Subject: Audit of Special Education Attorney Certifications | OIG 24-1-01-MA

Dear Chief Financial Officer Lee and Chancellor Ferebee:

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that the Office of the Inspector General (OIG) plans to conduct an audit of Special Education Attorney Certifications. The objective of this engagement is to determine the accuracy of certifications made to the Office of the Chief Financial Officer of attorneys in special education cases brought under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) in the District. The OIG's mandate is found in DC Code § 1-301.115a(a)(3)(J)(Supp. 2018). We will conduct this audit in accordance with <u>Generally Accepted Government Auditing Standards</u>.

This audit was included in the *OIG Fiscal Year 2024 Audit and Inspection Plan* and will be conducted under project number OIG 24-1-01-MA. Please reference this project number in correspondence involving this audit. Preliminary audit fieldwork will begin on or about November 6, 2023.

Richard Sahadeo Jr., Audit Director, will call to arrange an entrance conference to discuss the audit process and to answer any questions you may have. Should you have any questions in the interim, please contact Eileen Shanklin-Andrus, Acting Assistant Inspector General for Audits, at (202) 727-5052.

Sincerely,

Daniel W. Lucas Inspector General

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