

File No. 13877

Baltimore, January 2, 1912.

Mr. Sidney P. Thanhouser  
The Marlborough.

Dear Sir:

10135      Replying to your recent inquiry as to whether or not the Board of School Commissioners has the power to assign the First Assistant Superintendent to be in charge of the elementary schools, under the supervision of the Superintendent, I beg to say that, in my judgment, the Board has that power.

Section 100 of the Charter provides for the appointment of a Superintendent, and one or more Assistant Superintendents, of public instruction, and further provides:

"The said Superintendents shall all be persons of education and experience in the management of schools, and they shall not be less than twenty-five years of age, at the time of their appointment, and shall discharge the duties herein prescribed and such other duties as the said Board may direct.\*\*\*"

I do not find anything in Section 101 (which defines certain duties of the Superintendent and Assistant Superintendents) which would prevent the School Board from assigning the first Assistant Superintendent in charge of the elementary schools under the direction of the Superintendent.

Very truly yours,  
(Signed) S. S. Field,  
CITY SOLICITOR.