



CHAPTER 6  
ARTICLE 3 - CIVIL ACTIONS AND PROCEEDINGS

N.C.G.S. § 6-21.4.

# Allowance of counsel fees and costs in certain cases involving principals or teachers.

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In any civil action brought against a public school principal or teacher as defined in G.S. 115C-390 arising or resulting from the use of corporal punishment, upon a determination that the principal or teacher has prevailed and that the plaintiff's action was frivolous or without substantial merit, the presiding judge may, in his discretion, allow a reasonable attorney fee to the duly licensed attorney representing the principal or teacher. The attorney's fee shall be taxed as part of the court costs.

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APPARATUS I  
2 ACTS

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APPARATUS II  
1 AUTHORITY

## Authorities referenced

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| REFERENCE     | APPEARS IN | OPERATIVE LANGUAGE IN THIS SECTION          |
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| G.S. 115C-390 |            | <i>"principal or teacher as defined in"</i> |

APPARATUS III

Citation

FULL SECTION

N.C. Gen. Stat. § 6-21.4 (1981).

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