

25th Annual **School Client Conference**

January 15, 2010
Millennium Hotel
Cheektowaga, NY
9 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

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Registration and continental breakfast at 8:30 a.m.

Lunch at noon

Cocktail reception at 3:30 p.m.

This seminar is complimentary and exclusive to clients and friends of Hodgson Russ.

Who should attend:

Board members
Superintendents
Business officials
Administrators

Directions: I-90 to exit 52 East. Millennium Hotel is one block up on your left.

Education Law Practice Group

Hodgson Russ represents school districts throughout New York State and has done so for decades. To help our school district clients meet their legal challenges, we have assembled a team of experienced attorneys who focus on education law and public sector employment law. The attorneys in our Education Law Practice Group counsel boards of education, school superintendents, and school administrators on the complete range of issues affecting public education. For more than 20 years, our annual school client conference has proven to be a success in communicating with our clients on important matters affecting their districts.

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The Hodgson Russ Education Law Practice Group maintains an online informational service to provide brief, topical information to our clients and friends on the latest developments in education law.

Agenda

- 8:30 a.m. Registration and continental breakfast
- 9 – 9:20 a.m. Welcome
25 Years of Education Law: A Retrospective
Karl W. Kristoff
- 9:20 – 9:50 a.m. Section 3020-a: What's the Protocol?
Karl W. Kristoff
- 9:50 – 10 a.m. Break
- 10:05 – 10:55 a.m. 1A — Recent Decisions by the Commissioner of Education and What They Mean for Your District
John J. Christopher
- 1B — Capital Projects: Presentation and Financing
John A. Alessi, William A. Lundquist, Jeffrey W. Stone, and Jeffrey F. Swiatek
- 1C — Special Education Law Year in Review
Jeffrey J. Weiss
- 11 – 11:45 a.m. 2A — Who Has the Authority? The Powers and Duties of Boards of Education and Superintendents Under New York Law
David A. Farmelo
- 2B — Sunshine Forecast: How New Changes to FERPA and FOIL May Affect Your District
Ryan L. Everhart and John Godwin
- 2C — Time-Outs and Take-Downs: What You Should Know About Behavioral Interventions
Dylan A. Pauly
- 11:50 a.m. – 12:55 p.m. Lunch
- 1 – 1:45 p.m. 3A — Teachers and Social Networking Sites: Schools in the Digital Age
Elizabeth D. Carlson
- 3B — Capital Projects: What to Know About Bidding, Contracts, and Disputes
John A. Alessi, William A. Lundquist, Jeffrey W. Stone, and Jeffrey F. Swiatek
- 3C — Special Education Records: The Management and Disposition of Critical Student Information
Ryan L. Everhart

1:50 – 2:35 p.m.

4A — 21st-Century Student Discipline Issues

Brendan P. Kelleher

4B — Litigation Prevention in Abuse Cases: Title IX Liability Issues

Julia M. Hilliker and Jill L. Yonkers

4C — Big Changes in the Special Ed Landscape: How the ADA Amendments Act has Broadened the Eligibility Standard for Students Under Section 504

Jeffrey J. Weiss

2:40 – 3:25 p.m.

5A — What's New in Employee Benefits: Recent and Coming Developments Affecting Retirement, Health, and Welfare Benefits

Peter K. Bradley and Richard W. Kaiser

5B — Student Residency Hot Spots, Including McKinney-Vento and Custody Proceedings

Lura Hess Bechtel and Jeffrey F. Swiatek

5C — Special Education Roundtable

Ryan L. Everhart, Dylan A. Pauly, and Jeffrey J. Weiss

3:30 p.m.

Cocktail reception



Register today!

Please register by January 8, 2010.

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Space is limited. This seminar is complimentary and exclusive to clients and friends of Hodgson Russ. Please register early through our Web site or by e-mail, fax, or mail to:

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Please check the sessions you would like to attend:

I plan to attend lunch.

Session 1

- 1A
- 1B, or
- 1C

Session 2

- 2A,
- 2B, or
- 2C

Session 3

- 3A,
- 3B, or
- 3C

Session 4

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- 4C

Session 5

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- 5B, or
- 5C

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E-mail: _____

(Please provide e-mail. Confirmations will be e-mailed to all attendees.)

Phone/Fax: _____

Name and e-mail of additional attendees: _____



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