

SPECIAL EDUCATION SEMINAR

Holiday Inn Cleveland South

Independence, Ohio

Friday, February 9, 2024

8:20 – 8:50

REGISTRATION

8:50 – 9:00

WELCOME & INTRODUCTION

9:00 – 9:45

**SCHOOL REFUSAL: WHAT TO DO WHEN THE
STUDENT SAYS NO**

Jacqueline Walsh
Brickman, Esq.

- Fully responding to chronic absenteeism
- Identifying school refusal behaviors
- Addressing work avoidance

9:45 – 10:30

LESSONS LEARNED IN 2023

Kevin J. Locke, Esq.

- Significant cases from the last year
- Guidance from the U.S. Department of Education
- The Budget Bill's impact on special education

10:30 – 10:45

BREAK

10:45 – 11:30

**ARE WE THERE YET? NAVIGATING
TRANSPORTATION CHALLENGES**

Donna M. Andrew, Esq.

- Determining whether transportation is required
- Curb to curb v. door to door
- Aggressive behaviors during transportation

11:30 – 12:30

LUNCH

12:30 – 1:15

**IEEs AND OUTSIDE REPORTS: WHAT'S THE
DIFFERENCE AND HOW TO RESPOND**

Brian J. DeSantis, Esq.

- Responding to an IEE request (and when to consider denying a request)
- Appropriately considering IEEs and outside reports
- Proactive guidance regarding IEEs and outside reports

1:15 – 2:00

**FIELD TRIPS, EXTRA CURRICULARS AND SPORTS:
EQUAL ACCESS FOR DISTRICT PROGRAMS AND
ACTIVITIES**

Christian M. Williams, Esq.

- Participation in field trips and co-curricular activities
- Accommodations for try outs and other competitive activities
- Before and after school care

2:00 – 2:15

BREAK

2:15 – 3:00

**YOU ASKED, WE ANSWERED: ISSUES YOU WANTED
ADDRESSED FOR 2024**

Panel

- Handling parent advocates
- FERPA compliance
- OCR complaints v. OEC complaints