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Trisha A. Olson and Courtney N. Stillman to speak at NBI Presentation on IEPs on February 20, 2018

The laws governing special education interact in confusing and sometimes contradictory ways, yet it is crucial that schools have a firm understanding of them in order to protect the rights of students and avoid legal difficulties. This comprehensive overview lays out all the legal requirements surrounding IEP development, discipline procedures, due process hearing requirements and more. It also highlights the mistakes other schools have made, so you can ensure your school properly delivers legally appropriate special education services that help students succeed)

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John Izzo to Provide Legal Updates for West Cook ASBO

On Thursday, February 15, 2018, at 8:30 a.m., John M. Izzo will be speaking regarding Legal Updates for the West Cook Regional Association of School Business Officials at the West 40 ISC 2 – Region 6, 4413 West Roosevelt Road – Suite 104-105, Hillside, Illinois.

Winter 2018 Legal Breakfast

Please join us for our Winter Legal Breakfasts on Tuesday, January 30th, 2018 at the Oak Brook Regency Towers Conference Center and Wednesday, January 31st at the Tinley Park Convention

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Center. Please click the link below for more information. We look forward to seeing you!

2018-Winter Legal Breakfast Flyer

Back to School 2017 Legal Breakfast

We are pleased to announce that we will be holding our Back to School Legal Breakfasts on Tuesday, September 12th, 2017 at the Tinley Park Convention Center and Wednesday, September 13th, 2017 at the Oak Brook Regency Towers Conference Center.

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Fall/Winter 2017-2018 Presentations

Courtney N. Stillman will present *"Writing Legally Defensible IEP Goals in the Wake of Endrew F.."* at the fall conference of the Illinois Alliance of Administrators of Special Education on September 28, 2017 at the Tinley Park Convention Center, Tinley Park, Illinois

Trisha A. Olson will be presenting *Successfully Handling Disciplinary Actions for Special Needs Students* at the National Business Institute's seminar on Illinois Special Education Law on Friday, October 6, 2017 in Rockford.

On November 2, 2017, in Chicago, Illinois, Courtney N. Stillman will provide a Special Education Legal Update and a presentation on Creating Legally Defensible IEPs for the National Business Institute Seminar *IEPS and 504 Plans: A Legal Compliance Guide.*

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Courtney N. Stillman and Trisha A. Olson will present **Administrator Academy 1843 Identification, Evaluation and Interventiosn for Students with ADD/ADHD** on November 8, 2017 at the South Cook Intermediate Service Center, 253 West Joe Orr Road, Chicago Heights, IL 60411.

Trisha A. Olson will be presenting on the topic *Transforming Theory into Practice* at the Nonpublic Conference on Wednesday, November 8th , 2017 at the Hilton Oak Lawn.

On November 13, 2017 in Peoria, Illinois, Courtney N. Stillman will present on Developing and Implementing 504 Plans and on Developing Functional Behavior Analyses and Behavior Intervention Plans at the National Business Institute Seminar *IEP and 504 Plan Legal Workshop.*

On February 9, 2018, in Naperville, Illinois, Trisha A. Olson will be presenting on Manifestation Determination Review Meetings for the National Business Institute.

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John Izzo to Present Twice at IASBO Annual Conference

At this year's Illinois Association of School Business Official Annual Conference at the Peoria Civic Center, John M. Izzo will be one of the presenters on Thursday, April 27, 2017. First, John and Erin Bartholomy of Chapman & Cutler with give a State Legislative Update at 11:00 A.M. to 12:00 noon. Then, along with Kyle Harding of Chapman & Cutler, John's topic will be "Interfund Transfers: Learn the rules about what you can transfer, where and how". This second presentation will be at 1:00 to 2:00 P.M.

Trisha A. Olson to Speak at

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Chicago Bar Association

Ms. Olson will be speaking at the Chicago Bar Association's presentation entitled "Senate Bill 100: Here and Now" on Wednesday, March 29th, 2017. Ms. Olson will present "From a school district's perspective: school district attorneys discuss experiences under the law, their interpretation of the law, recent case law and how they advise their clients."

Spring 2017 Legal Breakfast

We are pleased to announce that we will be holding our Spring Legal Breakfasts on Tuesday, March 7th, 2017 at the Oak Brook Regency Towers Conference Center and Thursday, March 9th, 2017 at the Tinley Park Convention Center.

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Upcoming Presentations

Trisha Olson to Present at Chicago Bar Association's Spring Seminar

Trisha A. Olson along with Jeremy Duffy, Esq., of Robbins Schwartz, will be presenting "From a School District's Perspective: School District attorneys discuss experiences under the law, their interpretations of the law, recent case law, and how they advise their clients" at the Chicago Bar Association's Spring Seminar on March 29, 2017 in Chicago.

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Conference

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Back to School 2016 Legal Breakfast

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