



2017

Spring Law Conference

Boards Caught in the Middle: Perspectives on Current Controversies in School Law

April 27 and 28, 2017
NCSBA Assembly Hall
Raleigh, NC

Thursday, April 27, 2017

- 10:00 – 11:00 Employment Discrimination**
Presenter: Robert Joyce, Professor, UNC-Chapel Hill School of Government, Chapel Hill, N.C.
- 11:00 – 12:00 The School Board’s Role in Oversight of School Finances**
Presenter: Kara Millonzi, Associate Professor, UNC-Chapel Hill School of Government, Chapel Hill, N.C.
- 12:00 – 12:45 Lunch**
- 12:45 – 1:45 Public Comment During Board Meetings**
Presenter: Allison Schafer, Legal Counsel/Director of Policy, NCSBA, Raleigh, N.C.
- 1:45 – 2:45 Pre- and Post-Employment Drug Testing**
Presenter: Jim O’Rourke, Staff Attorney, NCSBA, Raleigh, N.C.
- 2:45 – 3:00 Break**
- 3:00 – 3:30 Board Member Salary and Related Issues**
Presenter: Maura O’Keefe, Attorney, Tharrington Smith, Raleigh, N.C.
- 3:30 – 4:30 Data Privacy and Security: What School Board Members Need to Know**
Presenter: Scott Murray, Staff Attorney, NCSBA, Raleigh, N.C.

Friday, April 28, 2017

- 8:30 – 9:30 Charter Schools, the Achievement School District, and Lab Schools and Other Legislative Updates**
Presenter: Leanne Winner, Director, Governmental Relations, NCSBA, Raleigh, N.C.
- 9:30 – 9:45** Break
- 9:45 – 11:15 The School Board’s Duty to Cooperate with Immigration Officials and Other Immigration Issues**
Presenter: Ken Soo, Attorney, Tharrington Smith, Raleigh, N.C.
- 11:15 – 11:45 Student Drug Testing for Extracurricular Activities**
Presenter: Janine Murphy, Assistant Legal Counsel, NCSBA, Raleigh, N.C.
- 11:45 – 12:30** Lunch
- 12:30 – 1:30 The First Amendment: Balancing Free Speech Rights and Free Exercise Rights**
Presenter: Jill Wilson, Attorney, Brooks Pierce, Greensboro, N.C.
- 1:30 – 1:45** Break
- 1:45 – 2:45 What’s Going on in Washington with Federal Laws and Regulations?**
Presenter: Sonja Trainor, Program Director, Council of School Attorneys, National School Boards Association, Alexandria, Virginia
- 2:45 – 3:15 Case Law Update: New Developments that Affect Public Schools**
Presenters: Allison Schafer, Legal Counsel/Director of Policy, NCSBA, Raleigh, N.C. and Janine Murphy, Assistant Legal Counsel, NCSBA, Raleigh, N.C.

Board members and school administrators attending the entire conference will receive 11 clock hours of continuing education training. Attorneys attending the entire conference will receive 11 hours of CLE credit.