



NCSBA FALL LAW CONFERENCE

OCTOBER 16-18, 2019

Wednesday, October 16, 2019

- 12:00 – 1:00 p.m.** **Registration**
- 1:00 – 2:00 p.m.** **The Authority and Limitations on the Board of Education and the Role of the Superintendent**
Presenter: Allison Schafer, Legal Counsel/Director of Policy, NCSBA, Raleigh, N.C.
- 2:00 – 3:00 p.m.** **Conducting Board Meetings: Electing Officers and Parliamentary Procedure**
Presenter: Ken Soo, Attorney, Tharrington Smith, Raleigh, N.C.
- 3:00 – 3:30 p.m.** Break
- 3:30 – 4:45 p.m.** **When You Can't Keep Secrets/When You Must Keep Secrets: Open Meetings, Public Records and Confidentiality**
Presenter: Frayda Bluestein, Professor, School of Government, UNC-CH, Chapel Hill, N.C.
- 4:45 – 5:30 p.m.** **Public Comment at Board Meetings**
Presenter: Neal Ramee, Attorney, Tharrington Smith, Raleigh, N.C.

Thursday, October 17, 2019

- 7:15 – 8:15 a.m.** **Continental Breakfast**
- 8:00 – 9:00 a.m.** **The Board's Role in Hiring Including Access to Personnel Records**
Presenter: Jill Wilson, Attorney, Brooks Pierce, Greensboro, N.C.
- 9:00 – 9:30 a.m.** **The New Rules for Hiring Retired Employees**
Presenter: Leanne Winner, Director of Governmental Relations, NCSBA, Raleigh, N.C.
- 9:30 – 10:30 a.m.** **The School Board as a Public Employer: Free Speech, Nondiscrimination, Background Checks, Nepotism and Other Issues**
Presenter: Elizabeth Troutman, Attorney, Brooks Pierce, Greensboro, N.C.
- 10:30 – 11:00 a.m.** Break
- 11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.** **Employee Dismissal Proceedings: Impartiality, Conflicts of Interest and the Duty to Recuse (Includes Interactive Exercise)**
Presenter: Chris Campbell, Attorney, Campbell Shatley Asheville

Friday, October 18, 2019

- 7:15 – 8:15 a.m. Continental Breakfast**
- 8:00 – 8:45 a.m. The Role of the Board Attorney: Who Does the Attorney Represent? Who Has Access to the Board Attorney?**
Presenter: Dionne Jenkins, General Counsel, Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Schools, Winston-Salem, N.C.
- 8:45 – 9:30 a.m. Understanding Basic School Budget Issues**
Presenter: Richard Bostic, Assistant Director of Governmental Relations, NCSBA, Raleigh, N.C.
- 9:30 – 10:15 a.m. Financial Oversight Responsibilities of the Board of Education**
Presenter: Allison Schafer, Legal Counsel/Director of Policy, NCSBA, Raleigh, N.C.
- 10:15 – 10:45 a.m. Break and Checkout from Hotel Room**
- 10:45 – 11:45 a.m. Student Discipline, Suspension/Expulsion and Reassignment to Alternative Schools**
Presenter: Dean Shatley, Attorney, Campbell Shatley, Asheville, N.C.
- 11:45 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Handling Grievances and Other Complaints: Appropriate Response to Citizen Concerns**
Presenter: Jim O'Rourke, Staff Attorney, NCSBA, Raleigh, N.C.

Board members and school administrators attending the entire conference will receive 12 clock hours of continuing education training. We have applied for attorneys attending the entire conference to receive 12 hours of CLE credit.