

# 27<sup>th</sup> Annual School Client Conference

### Friday, January 20, 2012

Millennium Hotel Buffalo 2040 Walden Avenue Cheektowaga, New York

#### 9 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

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Millennium Hotel, 2040 Walden Avenue, Cheektowaga, New York 9 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Registration and continental breakfast at 8:30 a.m. Lunch at 12:20 p.m. Cocktail reception at 3:30 p.m.

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

Please register early. Space is limited.

Who should attend: Board members, superintendents, business officials, and 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 25 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 SchoolNet, an online informational service to provide brief, topical information to our clients and friends on the latest developments in education law.

## Agenda

Registration and Continental Breakfast 8:30 a.m.

Introduction/Overview 8:50 a.m. Karl W. Kristoff

9 - 10:10 a.m. **Tax Cap: The Latest Developments From the State** Jeffrey F. Swiatek and Jeffrey W. Stone

Break 10:10 - 10:25 a.m.

**Session 1** (choose one program) 10:25 - 11:15 a.m.

1A – APPR: The Next Steps Karl W. Kristoff and John J. Christopher

**1B** – A Few of Your Worst Employment Nightmares
Brendan P. Kelleher and
John M. Godwin

1C – The Discipline of Students With Disabilities

Andrew J. Freedman

Session 2 (choose one program) 11:20 a.m. -12:10 p.m.

2A – The Dignity Act: New Regulations Andrew J. Freedman and Emina Poricanin

2B – Sharing Information With the Police and Other Government Agencies: Confidentiality, Mandatory Reporting, Subpoenas, Health, and Safety David A. Farmelo and Jill L. Yonkers 2C – The Revamping of Section 504: What School Officials Need to Know Ryan L. Everhart and Dina L. Allen

Lunch 12:20 – 1:20 p.m.

Session 3 (choose one program) 1:20 - 2:10 p.m.

3A – Accommodating Disabilities John J. Christopher and Machael P. Sherry

**3B** – Health Care Reform Update Michael J. Flanagan

3C – What Do I Do Now? Handling Impartial Hearing Requests Ryan L. Everhart and Andrew J. Freedman

Session 4 (choose one program)

2:15 - 3:05 p.m.

4A – Difficult Situations Board Members Often Face, and How You Can Handle Them

John J. Christopher and Jeffrey F. Swiatek

4B – Common Errors in Student Discipline: What Might Your District Still Be Doing Wrong? Brendan P. Kelleher

4C – An Update on Least Restrictive Environment Ryan L. Everhart and Dina L. Allen

A Quick Review of 2011 - New Cases and Statutes School Officials Need to Know About 3:10 - 3:30 p.m.

Cocktail Reception 3:30 p.m.

## **Speakers**



Dina L. Allen Education Law Labor & Employment



John J. Christopher Education Law Labor & Employment Employment Litigation



Ryan L. Everhart Education Law Labor & Employment



David A. Farmelo Education Law Labor & Employment

Michael J. Flanagan

Education Law

**Employee Benefits** 



Karl W. Kristoff Education Law Labor & Employment



Emina Poricanin Education Law Labor & Employment



Machael Pelosi Sherry Law Clerk Education Law Labor & Employment



Jeffrey W. Stone Real Estate & Finance Education Law Municipal Law



Jeffrey F. Swiatek Education Law Labor & Employment Municipal Law



Andrew J. Freedman Education Law Labor & Employment



John M. Godwin Education Law Labor & Employment



Jill L. Yonkers Municipal Law Torts, Insurance & Products Liability



Brendan P. Kelleher Education Law Labor & Employment



# **Register Today!**

YES, please register me for the Hodgson Russ School Client Conference, Friday, January 20, 2012, 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Millennium Hotel, 2040 Walden Avenue, Cheektowaga, New York.

Registration and continental breakfast begin at 8:30 a.m. Please register by January 13.

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#### Please check the sessions you would like to attend:

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