



# Riker Danzig Launches New Special Education Practice

Riker Danzig is pleased to announce the launch of a new practice group, the **Special Education Practice**. Drawing on the resources of its well-regarded School Law Practice, the Special Education Practice will focus on helping parents obtain special educational services for their children with disabilities and special needs throughout New Jersey. This will include assisting them in securing an evaluation of their child, developing an IEP with the child study team, and serving as counsel at administrative hearings and on appeal to the courts.

“Tens of thousands of children in New Jersey have disabilities that interfere with their ability to learn, disabilities ranging from dyslexia to autism to severely developmentally disabled,” said Riker Danzig Counsel Teresa L. Moore, who is leading the new practice. “Riker Danzig stands ready to help them and their parents obtain educational services that they need.”

Teresa has extensive experience in litigating special education disputes. She has argued before the New Jersey Supreme Court on education issues, has substantial experience in federal and state courts, and has tried numerous disputes to conclusion in the New Jersey Office of Administrative Law. Prior to joining Riker Danzig in 2014, Teresa co-created and acted as counsel to LEGAL ONE, a partnership between Rutgers University and the Foundation for Educational Administration. She also consulted with the Institute on Education Law and Policy (IELP) at Rutgers University-Newark.

Riker Danzig Co-Managing Partner Lance J. Kalik noted, “New Jersey school districts offer many services for students who have disabilities in their own districts and outside the school district. Every child with a disability is entitled to an appropriate education under the law, wherever that education needs to be delivered. We are committed to helping families make sure their child receives an appropriate education individualized for their needs.”

The Special Education team will represent parents and families in all forms of disputes, particularly those arising under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and

other federal and State statutes relating to people with disabilities.

A full description of the practice is available at [Special Education Law](#).

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