
Wrightslaw: IDEA 2004

This program will focus on the key provisions of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act of 2004, emphasizing the changes from IDEA 97.

You will learn about the history of special education law, the Congressional Findings and Purposes, and their impact on evaluations, IEPs, and new procedural requirements. You will learn about new requirements for the “Due Process Complaint Notice” and “Resolution (IEP) Session.”

You will learn about the issues in the pending *Schaffer v. Weast* case and how that decision may shift the balance of power in eligibility and IEP meetings, and in due process hearings. You will learn about the Position Paper from the National Council on Disability on the burden of proof issue raised in the *Schaffer* case.

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Presented by
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Agenda

- 9:00-10:30 **IDEA** History and Overview
Section 1400 Findings, Purposes
Section 1401 Definitions: Special Education, Related Services, LD, etc.
- 10:30-10:45 **Break**
- 10:45-12:00 **Section 1412** Extended School Year, Child Find, Least Restrictive Environment, Mainstreaming, Inclusion, Private Placements, Statewide Assessments
Section 1414 Evaluations, Re-Evaluations Individualized Educational Programs
Section 1415 Prior Written Notice, Procedural Safeguards Notice
- 12:00-1:00 **Lunch**
- 1:00-2:30 **Section 1415** Due Process Complaint Notice, Resolution (IEP) Session, Comparison to Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, Mediation, Due Process Hearing, Attorney's Fees, Appeal, Discipline, Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (Proposed Regs)
- 2:30-2:45 **Break**
- 2:45-4:00 **Schaffer v Weast**, pending before the U.S. Supreme Court, National Council on Disability: Burden of Proof, IDEA: Relationship to Section 504 & No Child Left Behind (NCLB)
- 4:00-4:30 Questions and Answers

Speaker

Peter Wright is a graduate of Randolph-Macon College and received his law degree from the University of Richmond.

Mr. Wright has practiced special education law since the 1970's. In 1993, he represented Shannon Carter before the U. S. Supreme Court in *Florence County v. Shannon Carter* (510 U.S. 7). He is the co-author of several books, including *Wrightslaw: Special Education Law*, *Wrightslaw: From Emotions to Advocacy*, *Wrightslaw: No Child Left Behind*, and *Wrightslaw: IDEA 2004*.

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- 6.0 hours of CLE and GAL credit pending
- 6.0 CEU's available at the conference for an additional \$9.00

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