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Peter Wright, Esq.
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Pete Wright: Pete is a nationally recognized attorney who represents children with special needs. He has represented families in many notable cases. In October, 1993 Peter successfully represented Shannon Carter before the United States Supreme Court. He now travels all over the country conducting workshops about special education law, advocacy and related issues.

Pam Wright: Pam is a psychotherapist who has worked with children and families for more than 30 years. Her training and expertise in clinical psychology and clinical social work give her a unique perspective on parent-child school dynamics, problems and solutions. She is editor of The Special Ed Advocate.



Pete and Pam authored the best selling books:

Wrightslaw: Special Education Law, and
Wrightslaw: From Emotions to Advocacy



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ADVOCACY TRAINING SEMINAR

with
**Peter & Pam
Wright**



February 17, 2004

Time: 9:00 am - 4:30 pm

Room 490/492
Harry S. Truman Building
301 West High Street
Jefferson City, MO

One-Day Advocacy Training Seminar

The one-day advocacy seminar focuses on four areas: special education law, rights and responsibilities; tests and measurements to measure progress & regression; SMART IEPs; and an introduction to tactics and strategies for effective advocacy.

9:00 - 10:30 am

Special Education Law: IDEA

Overview of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act; Findings & Purposes; Definitions; ESY, Child Find, Least Restrictive Environment, Private Placements; Evaluations, Reevaluation, (IEP's) Individualized Education Programs; Procedural Safeguards, Complaints, Notice, Placement in Alternative Educational.

10:30 - 10:45 am

Break

10:45 - 11:15 am

Special Education Law; Section 504, No Child Left Behind

Section 504 v. IDEA; Caselaw; IDEA Reauthorization Back to School on Civil Rights; No Child Left Behind Act 2001.

1:15 - 12:00 noon

Test & Measurements 101

Progress and Regression; Standard Scores, Subtest Scores, Percentile Ranks; Chart Test Scores.

12:00 - 1:00 pm

Lunch (Is on your own)

1:00 - 2:30 pm

Introduction to SMART IEP's

Specific, measurable, action words, realistic & relevant; time limited; strategies for writing Present Levels of Performance, annual goals, short-term objectives & benchmarks; IEP checklists; recognizing common IEP problems.

2:30 - 2:45 pm

Break

2:45 - 4:00 pm

Introduction to Tactics & Strategies

Reasons for Parent-School Conflict; Identify Common Obstacles to Problems Solving & Communication; Emotions, Myths, Roles, School Culture; Rules of Adverse Assumptions; How to Use the Comprehensive Evaluation; Effective Negotiation Strategies; Letter Writing Strategies; "Letter to the Stranger"; How to Prepare for School Meetings; School Meeting Survival Strategies.

4:00 - 4:30 pm

Review, Qs & As.

Special Education Law and *Emotions to Advocacy* are provided as part of the registration package and will be available the day of the conference.

Sorry, there is no discount for attending conference without purchase of books. The Wrights suggest that if you already have these two resources, the two books that come with the registration could be donated to your local school or community library or advocacy agency.

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From St. Louis: Take I-70 West; At exit 148, turn left onto US-54 South toward Jefferson City, After crossing the Missouri River Bridge, take the second exit past the bridge. Turn left onto McCarty St. Go about three blocks and the Truman Building will be on the left.

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All Registration Must Be Paid In Advance.

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Name(s): _____

Address: _____

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Registration Fee – Includes two books:

Wrightslaw: Special Education Law and
Wrightslaw: From Emotions to Advocacy

- One Parent** \$65.00
- Both Parents (one set of books)** \$95.00
- School Personnel/Therapist/Service Provider/other** \$95.00
- Attorney (CLEs provided)** \$120.00
- One Parent & One Professional** \$130.00

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Total Amount Paid: \$ _____

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