

## IDEA 2004:

### What You Don't Know **CAN** Hurt YOU

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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 implications the recent U.S. Supreme Court decision in *Schaffer v. Weast* and how that decision may shift the balance of power in meetings and due process hearings. You will learn about *Arlington School District v. Murphy*, the law case about fees for experts or consultants that will be decided by the U.S. Supreme Court later this year.

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## Agenda

- 7:30-8:30     **Registration & Refreshments**
- 8:30-10:00   **IDEA:** History and Overview  
**Section 1400:** Findings and Purposes  
**Section 1401:** Definitions in IDEA: Special Education, LD, etc.
- 10:00-10:15   **Break**
- 10:15-11:30   **Section 1412:** Child Find, Least Restrictive Environment, Private Placements, Statewide Assessments, Accommodation  
**Section 1414:** Evaluations, Reevaluations, Parental Consent, Individualized Educational Programs (IEPs)
- 11:30-12:30   **Lunch**
- 12:30-2:00    **Section 1415:** Procedural Safeguards: Prior Written Notice; Resolution Session; Mediation; New Requirements & Time lines for Due Process Hearings; Discipline; Proposed IDEA 2004 Regulations
- 2:00-2:15     **Break**
- 2:15-3:30     No Child Left Behind Act (NCLB): Research Based Instruction; Highly Qualified Special Education Teacher Requirements; U.S. Supreme Court decision in *Schaffer v. Weast*, and *Arlington v. Murphy*
- 3:30-4:00     **Questions & Answers**

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Pete Wright and Wayne worked together after Wayne received a successful decision in [Gerstmyer v. Howard County Public Schools](#). In [Gerstmyer](#), the Judge found that a Montessori School was an appropriate placement for a child with a specific learning disability (dyslexia). Read [Parents of Dyslexic Child Reimbursed for Tuition at Montessori School](#)

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