

## 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.”

Wrightslaw programs are designed to meet the needs of parents, educators, health care providers, advocates and attorneys who represent children with disabilities regarding special education. The program is not disability specific.

Location:

Midlands Technical College  
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# Wrightslaw: Special Education & Advocacy

Presented by:

**Peter Wright, Esq.**  
**October 30, 2008**  
**8:30am - 4:30pm**



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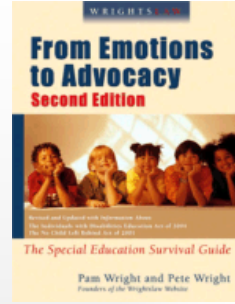
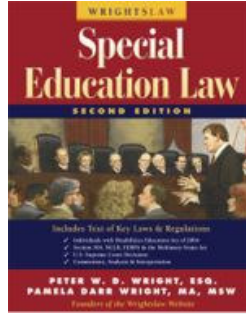
## Agenda

- 9:00-10:30 **IDEA** - History and Overview  
**Section 1400** Findings, Purposes  
**Section 1401** Definitions: Special Education, Related Services, LD, etc.  
**Section 1412** Extended School Year, Child Find, Least Restrictive Environment, Mainstreaming/Inclusion, Private Placements, Statewide Assessments
- 10:30-10:45 **Break**
- 10:45-12:00 **Section 1414(a)** Evaluations, Re-Evaluations Individualized Educational Programs  
**Section 1414(d)** IEPs, Present levels of Performance, Goals and Objectives
- 12:00-1:00 **Lunch (on your own)**
- 1:00-2:30 **Section 1415** Prior Written Notice, Procedural Safeguards Notice, Mediation, Due Process Hearing, Appeal, Discipline, Age of Majority.
- 2:30-2:45 **Break**
- 2:45-4:00 Tactics and Strategies  
 Rule of Adverse Assumptions  
 Private evaluations  
 The Letter to the Stranger  
 Meeting Strategies
- 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*.

## Registration Information



### Registration Fees:

Professional - \$60.00

Parents - \$50.00

- \* Books included in registration fees.
- \* Parents/foster parents scholarships available by request, call for details.
- 6.0 hours of CLE credit pending
- 6.0 CEU's available from University of South Carolina for an additional \$8.00.



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**Registration Deadline: October 15, 2008**

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Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Ethnicity: \_\_\_\_\_

- \_\_\_ Parents
- \_\_\_ Foster Parents
- \_\_\_ Attorneys/Guardians Ad Litem\*
- \_\_\_ Service Provider\*
- \_\_\_ School Personnel\*

\*Please specify agency/organization/school:

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Disability: \_\_\_\_\_

\* All information needed to fulfill grant requirement.

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