

IDEA & NCLB  
WHAT YOU DON'T KNOW  
CAN HURT YOU!

Learning Disabilities of CT  
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WAYNE STEEDMAN, ESQ

Wednesday,  
January 14, 2009

Snow Date January 15  
8:00 A.M. — 4:30 P.M.



Holiday Inn Hotel  
3580 East Main Street  
Waterbury, CT 06705

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Mr. Steedman has a Masters Degree in Social Work and a law degree from the University of Maryland. His practice is devoted primarily to representing children with disabilities.

Wayne and Pete Wright have worked together since Wayne's successful decision in *Gerstmyer v. Howard County Public Schools*, in which the Judge found that a Montessori School was the appropriate placement for a child with dyslexia.

As a member of the Wrightslaw Speakers Bureau, Mr. Steedman provides training for parents, educators, advocates, attorneys, and others who want to ensure that children receive quality special education services. Several of his recent programs for Wrightslaw have sold out.

Mr. Steedman is the author of "Advocating for Services: Legal Issues Confronting Parents and Guardians" in the book *Growing up with Autism: Working with School-Age Children and Adolescents* by Robin L. Gabiels and Dina E. Hill (Editors), published by Guilford Press (2007). He has also written several articles about special education law and advocacy.

### DIRECTIONS TO HOTEL

The hotel is about a one hour drive from Bradley International Airport.

I 84 West to Exit 26, CT 70, Cheshire/Waterbury. Right onto Waterbury Rd. (becomes E. Main St.) Hotel is 1.1 miles on the left.

I 84 East to Exit 25A, Austin Road. Left onto Austin Rd 0.3 miles. Right onto E. Main St. Hotel is 0.3 mile on the right.

A limited number of rooms have been reserved for Tues., Jan. 13 at the special conference rate of \$89. Call 203-706-1000 to make your own arrangements.

### SCHEDULE FOR THE DAY

Wednesday, January 14, 2009  
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| 8:00 -9:00   | Registration and Continental Breakfast   |
| 9:00 -10:30  | Introductions. IDEA 2004: History and Overview; <b>Section 1400</b> : Findings & Purposes; <b>Section 1401</b> : Key Definitions in IDEA, Special Education, LD, etc.  |
| 10:30 -10:45 | Break  |
| 10:45 -12:00 | <b>Section 1412</b> : Child Find, Least Restrictive Environment, Private Placements, Statewide Assessments, Accommodations; <b>Section 1414</b> : Evaluations, Reevaluations, Parental Consent, Individualized Educational Programs, IEP Teams, IEP Meetings |
| 12:00 -1:00  | Buffet Lunch   |
| 1:00 -2:30   | Section 1415: Procedural Safeguards: Prior Written Notice, Resolution Session; Mediation; Requirements & Timelines for Due Process Hearings; Discipline, Proposed IDEA 2004 Regulations  |
| 2:30 -2:45   | Break  |
| 2:45 -4:00   | No Child Left Behind Act (NCLB); IEPs; Research Based Instruction; Reading; Highly Qualified Special Education Teachers  |
| 4:00 -4:30   | Q & A  |

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# IDEA AND NCLB WHAT YOU DON'T KNOW CAN HURT YOU! WITH WAYNE STEEDMAN, ESQ.



## PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

You will learn about :

- new requirements about evaluations
- new requirements about IEPs
- new eligibility requirements for SLD
- new rules about discipline and manifestation reviews
- requirements for effective reading instruction
- how NCLB applies to children with disabilities
- and more

Texts for this program, included in your registration fee, are *Wrightslaw: Special Education Law* 2<sup>nd</sup> edition and *Wrightslaw: No Child Left Behind* and other resources worth a combined retail value of \$60.00.

**Suggestion:** bring a highlighter and sticky notes to mark your texts for easy reference.

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## CEU INFORMATION

LDA of CT will award 0.6 CEUs based on full attendance at the conference and completion of a follow-up activity. **These CEUs are awarded only to teachers who are currently employed in the state of CT with CT certification.**



Credits will also be available from the University of Missouri Kansas City Division of Continuing Education in the School of Education. They provide both graduate credit for practicing teachers and CEUs for a variety of professionals who need to document their professional development hours.

**Persons seeking credits through this source must check with their governing board for restrictions.** The cost is \$9.00 per registrant, payable by check on the day of the conference. It is the responsibility of each person seeking CEUs, either from LDA of CT or the alternate source, to sign in and pick up required paperwork on the day of the conference during the registration time, 8:00 - 9:00 A.M. You are also required to sign out at the end of the day.

**Please do not ask to sign out before 4:00 P.M.**

## SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

A limited number of scholarships for parents are available, thanks to the generosity of our sponsors and the Marjorie Hollander Fund. Marge was the parent of a child with special learning needs and a friend to LDA. Inquire at LDA of CT 860-560-1711

## REGISTRATION INFORMATION

**Fee includes :**

- Conference packet
- 2 books
- Continental breakfast, refreshments and buffet lunch
- Free parking

**Cancellation :**

- Snow—tune in to WFSB Channel 3. Decision will be posted by 7 A.M. on January 14, 2009 or [ldact.org/events](http://ldact.org/events).
- Cancellations in writing will be accepted until one week before the program (**Jan 5**). Refunds will be given minus a 30% administrative charge. After this time, no refunds will be given.
- You may transfer a registration to another person provided you notify LDA.
- Refunds will be processed 3-4 weeks after the conference.

**Registration Policies:**

- Confirmations will **NOT** be mailed.
- After **Jan 5**, an additional \$25 will be added to each registration fee.
- After **Jan 5**, registrants will be put on a waiting list if the seminar is SOLD OUT.
- Check in at the registration table to receive your packet and publications.
- If you require special accommodations, please call LDA's office.

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## REGISTRATION FORM

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

I am registering as:	Fee
<b>On or Before January 5, 2009</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Member	\$125.00 _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Non-Member	\$150.00 _____
<b>After January 5, 2009</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Member	\$150.00 _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Non-Member	\$175.00 _____
	Total: _____

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