

55th School Attorneys Conference
February 4, 2022
Via Zoom

- 9:00** **The Law Behind the Mask: *Deminski*, the ADA, and Section 504**
Chris Campbell, Campbell Shatley Asheville NC
Attorney Chris Campbell is currently counsel to parties in several lawsuits involving challenges to requirements of mask usage in schools. The issue is relevant to all school administrative units.
- 9:45** **School Board Meeting Disruptions: Law and Practice**
Ken Soo and Maya Weinstein, Tharrington Smith Raleigh
Attorney Ken Soo has regularly had cause to advise his school board clients on their authority and responsibility in dealing with increasing public disruption of board meetings. It is a trend on the uptick for many school boards.
- 10:30** **Break**
- 10:45** **The View from the State Board**
Allison Schafer, General Counsel State Board of Education
Allison Schafer is the General Counsel of the State Board of Education. Because of her long experience, before undertaking her current role, as an advocate for local school boards, she brings an informed and nuanced perspective to a sometimes-troubled relationship.
- 11:45** **Vaccination Mandates the Federal Government and the Courts**
Diane Juffras, UNC School of Government
Diane Juffras is the employment law specialist on the faculty of the School of Government. She has written extensively on the multiple vaccination mandates emerging from federal authorities.
- 12:15** **Lunch Break**
- 1:15** **Professional Responsibility: Social Media and Legal Ethics**
Chris McLaughlin, School of Government
Chris McLaughlin is the professional responsibility specialist on the faculty of the School of Government. He brings academic analysis to real-world ethical problems faced by school board attorneys.
- 2:15** **Break**

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Leandro Heats Up at Age 28

Brian Shaw, Poyner Spruill Raleigh NC

Attorney Brian Shaw is a leading practitioner of education law in North Carolina. The long litigation over the constitutional obligation of the state to offer to every child in the public schools the opportunity to a sound basic education has reached a critical point, fusing issues of educational rights with principles of the separation of powers in state governance.

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