



NATIONAL EDUCATORS LAW INSTITUTE

**31ST ANNUAL
DISABILITIES LAW CONFERENCE
WITH A PRE-CONFERENCE ON BEHAVIOR**



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**MAIN
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**ON DEMAND AND
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PRE-CONFERENCE ON BEHAVIOR

ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

The law pertaining to behaviorally-challenged students is ever-changing. NELI's Pre-Conference Day on Behavior will deliver training on some of the most critical issues regarding this complicated subject. Experienced attorneys and behavior specialists will bring you up to speed on topics including the changes to discipline under Chapter 37, how to effectively conduct a threat assessment, school based behavioral and mental health supports that really work, how to conduct a bulletproof MDR, and how it took litigation for a school to obtain juvenile records of a violent student.

Sign up for the pre-conference alone or register for both the main and pre-conferences to save \$35.00!

CONFERENCE TOPICS

- ◆ **"Is He Dangerous or Not Dangerous, Only His Juvenile Records Know for Sure": How it Took Litigation for a School to Obtain the Juvenile Records of a Violent Student (Live December 6 @ 10:00 am cst)**
Denise Hays - Walsh Gallegos Trevino Russo & Kyle P.C.
- ◆ **"The Real Deal": School Based Behavioral and Mental Health Supports that Really Work (Live December 6 @ 2:00 pm cst)**
Ann Hughes, Ph.D. - Sanger Independent School District
- ◆ **"#Onlinebullying": Handling Social Media Offenses that Occur Outside of School (Recorded)**
Jose Martín - Richards Lindsay & Martín, L.L.P.
- ◆ **"Vaping is Mandatory, Weed is Discretionary ... What Were They Thinking?": Addressing the Changes to Discipline Under Chapter 37 (Recorded)**
William M. Buechler - Buechler & Associates, P.C.
- ◆ **"He Was Just Joking When He Said He'd Blow Up the School": How to Effectively Conduct a Threat Assessment (Recorded)**
Heather Hughes, Ph.D. - Eagle Mount Saginaw ISD
- ◆ **"To Manifest or Not to Manifest, That is the Question": Conducting a bulletproof MDR (Recorded)**
Cynthia S. Buechler - Buechler & Associates, P.C.

MAIN CONFERENCE

ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

When you're in education, sometimes you have to think like a lawyer. A solid understanding of the laws governing special education will give you confidence in providing educational services to any child. Whether you're in general or special education, the 31st Annual Disabilities Law Conference is the ideal way to get up to speed on disabilities law. At the Main Conference, expert school law attorneys will discuss timely subjects such as the new dyslexia legislation and its effect on the Full Individual Evaluation, what "supplementary aids and services" entails, the move of dyslexia from Section 504 to special education, and what the law requires regarding video recordings in classrooms.

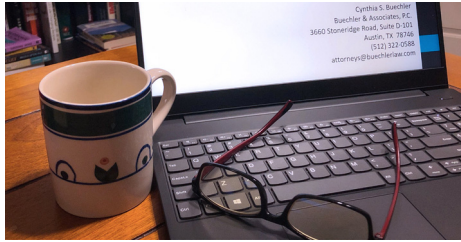
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CONFERENCE TOPICS

- ◆ **The Divorce is Final: Dyslexia has Left Section 504 for Special Education (Live December 7 @ 10:00 am cst)**
Cynthia S. Buechler - Buechler & Associates, P.C.
- ◆ **When Nondisabled Students, Their Parents and Employees Interfere with FAPE (Live December 7 @ 2:00 pm cst)**
David Richards - Richards Lindsay & Martín, L.L.P.
- ◆ **The Dyslexia Legislation and How it Impacts the Full Individual Evaluation (Live December 8 @ 10:00 am cst - 75 minutes)**
Gail Cheramie, Ph.D. - Educational Consultant
- ◆ **"2023...We Made it Through": What's Next for STAAR and STAAR-Alt2? (Live December 8 @ 2:00 pm cst - 75 minutes)**
John Fessenden - lead4ward
- ◆ **"I Want to Watch the Video": What the Law Requires Regarding Video Recordings (Recorded)**
William M. Buechler - Buechler & Associates, P.C.
- ◆ **"My Child Needs His Own Paraprofessional to be Successful": What Exactly does "Supplementary Aids and Services" Entail? (Recorded)**
Jamie Turner - Walsh Gallegos Trevino Russo & Kyle P.C.
- ◆ **"Are You My Mother?": Who Constitutes a "Parent" Under IDEA (Recorded)**
Cynthia S. Buechler - Buechler & Associates, P.C.
- ◆ **"My Child Needs to be in All General Education": What Does Least Restrictive Environment and the Continuum of Placements Really Mean? (Recorded)**
Paula Roalson - Walsh Gallegos Trevino Russo & Kyle P.C.

ABOUT THE SPEAKERS

ONLINE LEARNING



Both Pre and Main Conference will be Online!

We will have a combination of On-Demand Webinars and Live Training to cover all topics. Recorded versions of the Live and On-Demand Webinars will be available through January 31, 2024...attend live or watch the recordings! Live Webinars include a Q&A session.

CONFERENCE SPEAKERS

CYNTHIA S. BUECHLER is a partner in the law firm of Buechler & Associates, P.C. Ms. Buechler has been practicing disabilities law for over 30 years. Ms. Buechler is the C.E.O and Co-founder of the National Educators Law Institute.

WILLIAM M. BUECHLER is the managing partner at the law firm of Buechler & Associates, P.C. His practice emphasizes special education, Section 504, ADA, civil rights and employment and administrative law issues. Mr. Buechler frequently speaks at education law seminars and conferences at the state and national levels and he serves as managing director of the National Educators Law Institute.

GAIL CHERAMIE, PH.D., is a licensed psychologist, LSSP, and nationally certified school psychologist, and was the director of the School Psychology program at the University of Houston–Clear Lake for over 30 years. Dr. Cheramie’s currently consults with school districts throughout Texas on matters related to evaluation, identification and educational programming for students with developmental, learning and behavioral disorders.

JOHN FESSENDEN is an educational consultant at lead4ward who works with school districts, campuses and regional educational service centers in the areas of assessment, accountability and data analysis. He is a frequent presenter on issues ranging from special education, Performance-Based Monitoring, and ARD Committee decision-making.

DENISE HAYS is a shareholder with the law firm of Walsh Gallegos Treviño Russo & Kyle P.C. Prior to joining the firm, Ms. Hays was a public school special education teacher, a staff attorney for TASB, and also served as a hearing officer for school boards in termination, nonrenewal, and grievance hearings.

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ANN HUGHES, PH.D., is the Director of Student Intervention at Sanger ISD. With over 26 years experience as a teacher and administrator in alternative education settings, including DAEPs, juvenile correctional settings, and alternative schools, Dr. Hughes provides training related to positive behavioral interventions and supports and behavioral RTI.

HEATHER HUGHES, PH.D., BCBA is the executive director of special programs for Eagle Mountain Saginaw ISD and has over 20 years’ experience as an educational diagnostician, LSSP, and teacher. She serves on several advisory boards and teaches college courses on a variety of special education and autism subjects.

JOSE MARTÍN is a partner in the law firm of Richards, Lindsay & Martín, LLP and brings over 20 years experience focusing exclusively on matters involving the education of students with disabilities under IDEA and Section 504.

DAVID RICHARDS is a partner in the Austin law firm of Richards, Lindsay & Martín, LLP, where his practice focuses on Section 504 and special education issues. Mr. Richards is a frequent contributor to various publications and guest speaker at conferences and inservices on disabilities law and 504 matters.

PAULA MADDOX ROALSON is a shareholder with Walsh Gallegos Treviño Russo & Kyle P.C. in Houston. Ms. Roalson previously served as the staff attorney for special education for TASB. Her practice emphasizes the representation of school districts in special education litigation and general school law.

JAMIE TURNER is an attorney with the law firm of Walsh Gallegos Treviño Russo & Kyle P.C. and focuses her practice on special education and student matters. Jamie previously served public schools as in-house counsel for the Austin Independent School District, in private practice representing schools in general education matters, and as a special education administrator.

The legal information provided at this conference is for general purposes only. It is not intended as a substitute for individual legal advice or the provision of legal services. Accessing this information does not create an attorney-client relationship. Individual legal situations vary greatly and attendees should consult directly with an attorney.

ACCREDITATION

Earn up to 11.75 Hours of Continuing Education Credit! All attendees will receive a certificate at the end of each conference indicating they have earned Continuing Education Credit (7.25 hours for Main Conference, 4.5 hours for Pre-Conference). **Administrators, Teachers & Diagnosticians:** This program may meet the local criteria for up to 11.75 hours of school administrator’s general management training, which is no longer governed by the Texas Education Agency. NELI has been approved by the State Board for Educator Certification (SBEC) as a provider of continuing professional education (CPE) credit. **Counselors:** The conference sponsors are approved by the State Board of Examiners of Professional Counselors for up to 11.75 hours of continuing education credit for licensed professional counselors. **School Board Members:** The conference sponsors are registered providers of school board member training with the Texas Education Agency. This program provides up to 11.75 hours of school board member training in the areas of Vision, Structure and Unity. **Psychologists:** The conference may be approved by the State Board of Examiners of Psychology for up to 11.75 hours of continuing education credit for psychologists. **Speech-Language Pathologists:** The conference may be approved by the Texas Speech-Language-Hearing Association for up to 11.75 hours of continuing education for Speech-Language Pathologists.

REGISTRATION FORM

NELI 31ST ANNUAL DISABILITIES LAW CONFERENCE

Registration is as easy as 1...2...3!

1. Choose Your Training

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Register Me For:

On Demand and Live Webinars

- Pre-Conference on Behavior**—\$195.00*
December 6, 2023
- 31st Annual Disabilities Law Conference**—\$270.00*
December 7 -8, 2023
- Gimme "The Works"!** — \$430.00*
Save \$35.00! Register me for both the 31st Annual Disabilities Law Conference AND Pre-Conference on Behavior!

Attend the Live Webinars on the specific dates or watch the recorded version at your convenience!

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2. Attendee Information

Submit Separate Form For Each Attendee

Attendee: _____ Position: _____
E-mail: _____ Phone: _____ Fax: _____
District/Co-op: _____ Region: _____
School (if applicable): _____
Mailing Address: _____
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3. Submit Registration and Payment

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