

# 2017 Louisiana School Law Workshop

## Agenda and Session Description

Presented by Hammonds, Sills, Adkins & Guice, LLP

Crowne Plaza Hotel, Baton Rouge, Louisiana

**Thursday, September 14, 2017**

**7:30 - 8:15 a.m. Registration (Hall in front of Premier Ballrooms)**

**8:15 - 8:30 a.m. Welcome and Opening - Kenneth F. Sills (in Premier Ballrooms I & II)**

**8:30 - 9:30 a.m.**

**Session 1: Acts of 2017 Legislature Session Update - Robert L. Hammonds (in Premier Ballrooms I & II)**

Join Bob Hammonds as he dissects the Acts of the 2017 Legislature Sessions dealing with public education. The updates provided in this session will help keep all educators to be on the right side of new legislation laid out by the State of Louisiana.

**9:30 - 10:30 a.m.**

**Session 2: Disability Accommodations for Employees - Melissa S. Losch (in Premier Ballrooms I & II)**

Melissa will address how to manage employee requests for disability accommodations, including a discussion of “reasonable” or “unreasonable” accommodations. In addition, Melissa will present the necessary steps to avoid or successfully defend Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) complaints and federal litigation.

**Break- 10:30 - 10:45 a.m.**

**10:45 - 11:45 a.m.**

**Session 3: Dealing with the Obstructive Visitor - Jon K. Guice (in Premier Ballrooms I & II)**

You have a parent who refuses to leave the school campus or one who is abusive or threatening toward faculty, staff or students. What do you do?

**Lunch - 11:45 - 12:45 p.m. Buffet Lunch Stations in Hall and tables in Premier Ballroom III & Cypress II**

**Superintendents' Lunch & Retreat - 11:45 - 2:00 p.m. Buffett Lunch Stations in Hall and Tables in Cypress I - A free-flowing discussion among superintendents only of topics of interest to them moderated by Robert L. Hammonds, Jon K. Guice and Elmer G. Noah.**

12:45 - 1:15 p.m.

**Session 4 A: Important Recent Louisiana Cases involving Public Elementary and Secondary Schools - Justin N. Myers (in Premier Ballrooms I & II)**

1:15 - 2:00 p.m.

**Session 4 B: What Has Happened in the Area of Personnel Issues and How to Handle the Issues - Jon K. Guice (in Premier Ballrooms I & II)**

2:00 - 3:00 p.m.

**Session 5: The Nuts and Bolts of the Louisiana Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) and its Specific Programs and Implementation - Tyrell "Ty" Manieri, III (in Premier Ballrooms I & II)**

Ty Manieri will help you learn how to navigate through the changes resulting from ESSA, and he will discuss the status of the Louisiana implementing regulations.

**Break- 3:00 - 3:15 p.m.**

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**Session 6: Outside Providers and Services to Students in the Schools- Do you have a Written Agreement? - Pamela L. DeLaune (in Premier Ballrooms I & II)**

How to handle the various professional persons seeking to provide Medicaid and other non-educational services to students during the school day.

**4:15 - 4:30 p.m. Wrap up - Presenters Available for Questions (in Premier Ballrooms I & II)**

4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. - Attorneys Only Session

**Session 7: Legal Ethics - Harold J. Adkins (in Cypress I)**

**Friday, September 15, 2017**

7:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. - Attorneys Only Session

**Session 8: Professionalism - Elmer G. Noah (in Cypress I)**

**8:15 - 8:30 a.m. Announcements - Kenneth F. Sills (in Premier Ballrooms Premier I & II)**

8:30 - 9:30 a.m.

**Session 9: Mandatory Reporting Duties for School Teachers and Administrators - Elmer G. Noah and Courtney T. Joiner (in Premier Ballrooms I & II)**

An update of the law and problems faced about the requirements of mandatory reporting.

**9:30 -10:30 a..m.**

**Session 10: An Update on Title VII and Title IX including Transgender Issues - Wayne T. Stewart (in Premier Ballrooms I & II)**

Wayne will provide an update of the cases, issues, and changes brought about by the new administration.

**Break- 10:30 - 10:45 a.m.**

**10:45 - 12:00 p.m.**

**Session 11: Time to Stump the Lawyer - Robert L. Hammonds & Jon K. Guice (in Premier Ballrooms I & II)**

This Q&A session will close out our workshop with a quiz. Also, Jon and Bob will field general questions from the attendees about any of the previous sessions. This will be the time to ask any last questions.

**12:00 p.m.** Adjourn and be careful heading home!