



Special Education Advisory Committee

LEGAL PANEL

Thursday, April 18, 2019
6:00—7:00 PM

Jeffco Public Schools Education Center

Board Room, 5th Floor
1829 Denver West Drive
Golden, CO 80401

Please join us for the 2018-19 SEAC Legal Panel

We are excited to provide a panel of attorneys whose focus is education/special education law:



RACHEL JUDD

Equal Justice Works Fellow
Rocky Mountain Children's Law
Center

Rachel joined the Children's Law Center in 2015. She is developing a school-to-prison pipeline project to provide individual representation, community education and systemic advocacy to keep at-risk students in school and out of the court system. Meanwhile, she continues the Center's work advocating for the special education needs of children and school stability for youth in foster care.



ALYSSA C. BURGHARDT

Attorney at Law
Caplan & Earnest

Alyssa Burghardt's practice focuses on education and employment matters, with emphasis in special education counseling and litigation. Alyssa has counseled and defended clients in claims brought under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, the Americans with Disabilities Act, Title VII and the Equal Pay Act.



ALISON L. BUTLER, Esq.

Director of Legal Services
Disability Law Colorado

In her role as Director of Legal Services, Alison oversees all of the legal work at Disability Law Colorado, including investigations of abuse and neglect, individual representation in workplace or housing discrimination issues, assistance to students and parents with disability-related legal issues in schools and working with residents of institutions when they seek a less restrictive placement in the community.



DR. JACQUE PHILLIPS

The Law Office of Dr. Jacque Phillips

The Law Office of Dr. Jacque Phillips works to get students with disabilities educational services. She works in Administrative Court, Municipal Court and Juvenile Court to help students with disabilities stay in school and out of the juvenile "justice" system. With a doctorate in special education, she has worked for several universities including Adams State University, Lehigh University, and the University of Hawaii. Dr. Phillips is currently an adjunct professor at UNC. She is the author of the award-winning "Preventing Litigation in Special Education Workbook."

The Jeffco Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) is comprised of parents/guardians, staff, students, administrators and community members from across the district who provide Jeffco Public Schools with input and recommendations on an advisory basis regarding the needs of students with disabilities.