

Education

Overview

School boards and administrators serve in many different capacities. Establishing curriculum, hiring personnel, negotiating with unions, setting budgets, constructing and maintaining school buildings and disciplining students are just a few examples of the many tasks that school boards and administrations undertake on a daily basis. Running an educational institution can raise a multitude of legal issues. It is important to have an experienced legal team to help you to address and resolve these issues.

Archer attorneys have extensive experience helping schools, school administrators, school boards and school personnel in a variety of issues related to school operations. Our labor lawyers assist with issues related to employee matters, for example, while our transactional lawyers help with financing and contract issues. Archer has the experience to help clients understand the legal implications of their choices and to take action that will minimize future legal problems.

As part of our routine counseling service to school administrators, we provide guidance on labor law issues related to drafting teacher contracts, hiring, staff discipline, union negotiations and terminations. We can also advise on issues related to placing students in special education courses, student disciplinary matters, insurance and environmental issues. There are many ways a school can become vulnerable to litigation when disciplining students or hiring and terminating staff. Consulting with an education lawyer before you act can help ensure that you are legally protected.

Special issues routinely arise for school boards and administrators as well and Archer is experienced in addressing, resolving and preventing these issues. Our education law attorneys partner with other practice groups throughout the firm to assist in any legal issue that may arise, such as public bidding issues, real estate acquisitions or sales, computer and technology system issues, financing and budgetary matters and litigation.

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