

**Managing Staff: Top Five Claims Brought Against Independent Schools**

*Although there are some employment law issues that independent schools are likely to encounter on a yearly basis, such as FMLA, there are also timely and unique issues that are on the legal cusp and will certainly be encountered, such as transgender issues and unique mental health issues. It is imperative that the school leaders have an understanding of how to address such issues from a legal perspective. This session will explore five of the most difficult issues likely to be encountered during the 2018/2019 school year, and will provide an action plan for dealing with each of those issues.*

**Learning Objectives:**

Participants will learn five of the most difficult issues likely to be encountered during the 2018/2019 school year and develop an action plan for dealing with each of those issues.

**Presenter: Suzanne Bogdan, Partner, Fisher & Phillips LLP**

Suzanne Bogdan is managing partner of Fisher Phillip's Fort Lauderdale office. She chairs the firm's Education Practice Group and works with many types of employers helping to prevent and manage difficult employee issues and claims. She also represents hundreds of private educational institutions nationwide in employee, student and board issues.

Suzanne is Chair-Elect for the Fort Lauderdale Chamber of Commerce. She served nine years as general counsel of the Chamber and will assume the role of Chair in January of 2019. She was also the 2014 recipient of the Chair's Award from the Greater Fort Lauderdale Chamber of Commerce, in recognition and appreciation of her outstanding leadership and dedicated volunteerism for many years with the Chamber.

Suzanne is "AV" Peer Review Rated by Martindale-Hubbell. She earned her J.D. at the University Of Miami School Of Law summa cum laude. She was recognized as a South Florida "Top Lawyer" by South Florida Legal Guide and included in The Best Lawyers in America multiple times. Suzanne was also named 2017 Influential Business Woman by the South Florida Business Journal.

**Field of Study:** Business Law

**Prerequisites:** Basic knowledge of independent school finances

**Advanced Preparation:** None

**Program Level:** Update

**Delivery Method:** Group Live

**Participants will earn 1 CPE credit.**