## Top Five Legal issues Facing independent Schools

We will discuss the top five legal issues and claims that have impacted independent schools in the last year or two and those issues that we see evolving that could create legal concerns. We will identify preventive methods for your school to avoid claims or have the best defense if such a claim is asserted.

## **Learning Objectives:**

Participants will learn the top current legal issues and claims that have impacted independent schools and those issues that are evolving and could create legal concerns, as well as preventive methods to avoid and defend against these types of claims and legal concerns.

## Presenter: Suzanne Bogdan, Regional Managing Partner, Fisher & Phillips LLP

Suzanne Bogdan is the managing partner in the Fisher Phillips' Fort Lauderdale office. She handles all types of employment-related matters, including claims for age, race, sex, disability, religious, and national origin discrimination arising under the various civil rights laws, as well as claims involving family leave issues, wage hour matters, and breach of contract. Suzanne's practice includes preventive counseling, training, audits, policy reviews, drafting of contracts, defense of claims in the administrative setting, and litigation in all courts.

Suzanne is also the Chair of the firm's Education Practice Group, actively representing more than 100 private educational institutions in employee, student, and board issues. She is "AV" Peer Review Rated by Martindale-Hubbell. Suzanne was selected for inclusion in The Best Lawyers in America 2013, 2014, 2016 - 2018 and she was included in the 2012 edition of South Florida's Top Rated Lawyers, presented by Legal Leaders. She was also selected for inclusion in The Legal 500 – Litigation in 2015 and Florida Super Lawyers in 2016.

Suzanne was recognized in the 2014 edition of the South Florida Legal Guide as one of the "Top Lawyers" in South Florida. She also received the Chair's Award at the Ft. Lauderdale Chamber's Annual Meeting for her outstanding contributions to the Chamber.

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.