



# Legal Issues - 2017

October 17, 2017 | 8:30 am - 12:00 pm

Inn at Middletown, Middletown

8:30 am | **Registration**

9:00am - 12:00pm | **Program**

**9:00 – 9:05 am | Welcome**

Presenter: **Robert Rader**, Executive Director, CABE

**9:05 – 9:55 pm**

## **The Future of School Field Trips: Warnings, Waivers and Ticks, Oh My**

Recently the Connecticut Supreme Court issued a decision in the *Munn v. Hotchkiss* case, in which it ruled Connecticut schools have a duty to warn parents and students to protect against the risk of serious insect-borne diseases when organizing trips abroad. A \$41.5 million jury verdict against the Hotchkiss School for breaching that duty was upheld. So what does this mean for schools trying to safely organize a trip and avoid liability?

### **Presenters:**

Kyle McClain, *Attorney, Zangari Cohn Cuthbertson Duhl & Grello*  
Vincent Mustaro, *Senior Staff Associate for Policy, CABE*  
TBD, *Underwriting Staff, AIG Insurance*

**10:05 – 10:55 am**

## **Expulsions by the Numbers, Draft Guidelines for the Education of Expelled Students**

In 2016, the Connecticut General Assembly enacted legislation requiring SDE to adopt guidelines drastically increasing the amount of instruction to be delivered to expelled students. This session includes a detailed analysis of the proposed guidelines as well as a look at cost and other barriers to implementation, what alternative education programs are available, and what school districts can do to support ongoing efforts for substantial revisions to these burdensome standards.

### **Presenters:**

Mark Sommaruga, *Attorney, Pullman & Comley*  
Peter Maher, *Attorney, Shipman & Goodwin*  
Fran Rabinowitz, *Executive Director, CAPSS*  
Matthew Conway, *Superintendent of Schools, Derby*

**10:55 – 11:45 am**

## **Hot Legal, Labor and Legislative Topics: A Review of Case Law, Agency Decisions, and Legislative Action Impacting Schools**

This session will focus on an examination of recent case law and administrative agency decisions and actions. Presenters will discuss decisions and awards issued by Connecticut courts and State Agencies, including, SDE, FOIC, the State Board of Labor Relations and the State Board of Mediation and Arbitration. And, saving the “best” for last, stay tuned for the inside scoop on action or in-action at the Connecticut General Assembly.

### **Presenters:**

Patrice McCarthy, *Deputy Director and General Counsel, CABE*  
Rebecca Adams, *Senior Staff Attorney, CABE*  
Lisa Banatoski Mehta, *Attorney, Shipman & Goodwin*

**11:45am – 12:00 pm**

**Q & A**

Rebecca Adams, *Senior Staff Attorney, CABE*

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Yes, I will attend on Tuesday, October 17, 2017, at the Inn at Middletown.

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