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What can I solve for you?

Clients appreciate my well-honed communication skills, ability to read the room, dependability and strategic and successful legal advice. They turn to me to conduct Title IX and other investigations, help them navigate the complexities involved in student discipline and restorative justice, and counsel and represent them on the full spectrum of special education and student matters.

What's it like to work with me?

I get to know my clients' concerns and objectives as well as their families, personal interests, career goals and who they are as people. By combining this familiarity with my legal acumen and experience, I'm better able to advise them on proactive measures to avoid problems and represent them when disputes arise. They know I admire their commitment to helping students learn.

Overview

Highly regarded for her broad and deep knowledge of special education and student matters, Angela Gordon serves school districts, county offices of education and special education local plan areas. Angela represents clients in due process hearings and mediations before the California Office of Administrative Hearings; IEP team meetings; as well as compliance complaints before the California Department of Education and the Office for Civil Rights.

Angela counsels clients on policies and procedures to comply with the ever-changing education law and regulations. She also performs a wide range of investigations, including those involving personnel matters, sexual harassment and discrimination claims, Uniform Complaint Procedures and Title IX issues. In these often complicated and delicate inquiries, she brings extensive experience and skills at reading the demeanor and credibility of people and an ability to piece together an array of facts and stories to reach a conclusion of the situation—one that's fair and accurate based on the law.

A popular speaker, Angela engages audiences with her lively personality, commanding stage presence and her comprehensive understanding of special education and IEP implementation across all public schools. She also conducts special education training sessions for education leaders throughout Southern California, addressing issues that involve special education compliance, FAPE, due process, least restrictive environments in non-traditional school settings and other topics.

Early in her career, Angela worked as a legal affairs specialist for the Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science, where she handled labor and employment and other issues. She also represented the university in numerous mediations and settlement conferences. This served as Angela's introduction to education law, where she learned about the types of issues faced by higher education institutions. Because she now works primarily with K-14 institutions, her experience in higher education—which provided her with a broader understanding of education law overall—enhances her ability to help clients.

Involvement

Professional Affiliations

- Beverly Hills Bar Association, Member
- Los Angeles County Bar Association, Member
- John M. Langston Bar Association, Member

After School

When not serving clients, I'm interested in fitness and nutrition. I'm also a classic car enthusiast, and I love true crime mysteries.

Education

- University of California, Hastings College of the Law (J.D.)
- Mills College (B.A., Economics and French Studies)



F3 Law

- University of Paris, Sorbonne (Studied Abroad)

Admissions

Bar Admissions

- California

Related Services

- Investigations
- Special Education
- Student Rights & Discipline
- Title IX

Related Clients

- Public Education K-12
- Higher Education
- Community Colleges