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Preparation is the key to success.



Scott H. Wolpert, a partner at Timoney Knox, has been with the firm since 1992. His practice focuses in the areas of school and special education, employment and wage and hour law. He regularly handles special education administrative hearings and civil litigation in state and federal court and has extensive experience in handling legal issues involving students and schools.

Mr. Wolpert represents parties in all aspects of employee relations, including the litigation of employment-based claims, particularly wage and hour claims. He was lead attorney on a multi-million dollar class action suit in which he represented employees that resulted in a \$4.1 million court-approved settlement of overtime compensation to class members. He is also a frequent speaker in his areas of practice.

He holds a degree in political science from Ursinus College, where he was a Dean's List student and received the Truckess Prize for the study of law. Mr. Wolpert earned his law degree from the University of Richmond School of Law.

Active in many civic and charitable organizations, Mr. Wolpert served as a mock trial coach through the Pennsylvania Bar Association between 1998 and 2009. He is a past president of the LaSalle College High School Alumni Association and is a past member of the Board of Advisors of the Norwood-Fontbonne Academy. Mr. Wolpert currently serves on the Maxwell Football Club's High School Awards Committee and he is an NCAA football official.

Before joining Timoney Knox, he was a law clerk for The Honorable Bernard A. Moore in the Montgomery County Court of Common Pleas.

Representative Matters

- Represented a class of over 100 employees in a federal class action seeking wages under the Fair Labor Standards Act that resulted in a multi-million dollar settlement to class members on the eve of trial
- Conducted investigations of bullying, harassment and discrimination in schools
- Successfully litigated and argued a precedent-setting case nationally regarding the applicability of a statute of limitations to a civil rights claim in the United States Third Circuit Court of Appeals
- Successfully handled sexual harassment litigation on behalf of a female employee against a national apparel company which resulted in a substantial settlement prior to trial

Areas of Practice

- School and Special Education Law
- Labor and Employment Law

Bar Admissions

- Pennsylvania, 1991
- New Jersey, 1991
- U.S. District Court District of New Jersey, 1991
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit, 1995
- U.S. District Court Eastern District of Pennsylvania, 1999
- U.S. Supreme Court, 2011
- United States District Court, Middle District of Pennsylvania, 2015

Education

- University of Richmond, The T.C. Williams School of Law, Richmond, Virginia, J.D., 1991
- Ursinus College, Colledgeville, PA, B.A., 1988

- Conducted an extensive internal investigation of an existing public school employee's claim of discriminatory treatment in the workplace
- Successfully pursued a claim on behalf of a female executive of a national corporation who was sexually harassed by the Company's Chief Executive Officer

Classes/Seminars Taught

- "Use Of Expert Testimony In Employment Cases," Montgomery County Bar Association - 1996
- "Employee Handbooks," Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce - November, 1999
- "Liability Avoidance For Employers," Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce - May, 2000
- "Employment Law Update 2004," Independence Chapter, Association of Legal Administrators - June 11, 2004
- "A Primer On The Fair Labor Standards Act, The New Department Of Labor Regulations & Effective Payroll Practices," Pennsylvania School Board Association - June 26, 2004
- "Making Use Of The Rules Of Civil Procedure And Other Effective Techniques And Strategies In Defending Discovery and Trial Depositions," Montgomery County Bar Association - October 1, 2004
- "Hot Topics In Managing And Avoiding School Liability In Pennsylvania," National Business Institute - October 14, 2004
- "Pennsylvania Special Education Law," National Business Institute - December 16, 2004
- "Special Education In Your Classroom - Applying the Law to Real Life," National Business Institute - February 5, 2005
- "New Developments In Special Education Law: Impact Of Individuals With Disabilities Educational Improvement Act of 2004," National Business Institute - May 13, 2005
- "Successfully Handling Discipline for Special Needs Students," National Business Institute - December 5, 2005
- "School Law Update" - February 17, 2006
- "No Child Left Behind Act — The Bottom Line," National Business Institute - March 27, 2006
- "FERPA Compliance - Handling Students' Records," National Business Institute - March 27, 2006
- "Avoidance of Special Education Claims" - May 11, 2006
- "Ensuring Successful Due Process Procedures," National Business Institute - July 24, 2006
- "Maintaining An Ethical Balance - Special Education," National Business Institute - July 24, 2006
- "Least Restrictive Environment Legal Compliance," Pennsylvania Bar Institute - July 25, 2006
- "Least Restrictive Environment and The Impact of Gaskins," School District - August 22, 2006
- "School District Compliance Under The Fair Labor Standards Act," National Business Institute - November 16, 2006
- "School Law Update - Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act" - August 30, 2007
- "Successful IEP Implementation By Charter Schools" - November 9, 2007
- "Special Education Settlement Agreements," National Business Institute - February 28, 2008
- "Special Education Settlement Agreements," West Legal Education - June 25, 2008
- "Best Practices In IEP Drafting" – August 28, 2008
- "Successfully Handling Student Discipline" – August 18, 2009
- "Section 504/Chapter 15 Compliance" – August 26, 2009
- "Special Education Gifted Education Under Pennsylvania Law," Exceptional Children's Conference, Pennsylvania Bar Institute – October 23, 2009
- "Legal Issues Related To Therapeutic Support Workers," Lehigh University 38th Annual Special Education Law Conference - May 14, 2010
- "Special Education Settlement Agreements," Exceptional Children's Conference, Pennsylvania Bar Institute – October 15, 2010
- "Technology and Ethics in the Schools," Penn State Great Valley – Act 48 Credit Seminar For Educators– November 11, 2010
- "Proper Documentation in Special Education" – November 17, 2010
- "Legally Defensible IEPs," – January 24, 2011
- "Case Law Driven IEPs," Lehigh University 39th Annual Special Education Law Conference– May 13, 2011
- "Special Education Due Process Practice and Procedures," National Business Institute – October 26, 2011
- "Meaningful Educational Benefit Under the IDEA," Lehigh University 40th Annual Special Education Law Conference – May, 2012

- "Employee Performance Evaluations," School Law Workshop – August 29, 2012
- "Legally Defensible IEPs" – October 4, 2013
- "Special Education Laws Made Simple ," National Business Institute – December 6, 2013
- "Social Skills and Compliance Under the IDEA " - April 4, 2014
- "The Wish List of Parents and Schools: What Each Wants The Other To Know," Lehigh University 42nd Annual Special Education Law Conference – May 9, 2014
- "Compliance with Section 504 in Public School Districts " – June 23, 2014
- "Compliance with Section 504 in Public School Districts" – June 24, 2014
- "School Law Workshop" – August 26, 2014
- "School Safety," National Business Institute – December 8, 2014
- "Special Education Due Process Litigation," Pennsylvania Bar Institute – March 10, 2015
- "Introduction to Special Education," Pennsylvania Bar Institute – March 10, 2015
- "School Law Update" - August 2015
- "Advanced Issues That Arise During a Due Process Hearing," Exceptional Children Conference, Pennsylvania Bar Institute - October 26, 2015
- "Due Process Hearings: How to Pump Up Your Preparations," Pennsylvania Bar Institute - July 21, 2016