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Andrea Lynne Cola focuses her work on matters involving civil rights, special education and student services. Her consideration for the issues that the firm's school entity clients face each day is influenced by a professional background that includes not only work within a school district, but also on behalf of students and children.

Prior to joining the firm, she worked as an attorney for the School District of Philadelphia in its Special Education Unit. There, she managed a high volume of claims and complaints against the district, negotiating settlements when able, and appearing in litigation venues when necessary. She also counselled district personnel on day-to-day legal issues in schools and provided professional development training to staff.

Prior to her work with the School District of Philadelphia, she worked for the Defender Association of Philadelphia. There, she worked to enforce the rights and needs of children in matters involving abuse, dependency/parental rights, education conflicts/issues, and ongoing support.

While attending law school, she was awarded the Suffolk University Juvenile Justice Fellowship, and achieved honors in the Juvenile Justice Clinic.

## **EDUCATION**

Suffolk University Law School (J.D., *cum laude*)  
Northeastern University (B.S., *cum laude*)

## **BAR ADMISSIONS**

Pennsylvania  
United States District Court, Eastern District of Pennsylvania  
United States District Court, Middle District of Pennsylvania

## **AREAS OF PRACTICE**

Civil Rights Defense  
Special Education  
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