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Sharon Wolff Montanye has earned a reputation with our clients as a powerful advocate in special education litigation and a knowledgeable and thoughtful advisor. While many of the issues facing school districts or other school entities remain constant, countless other influences shape how those issues must be addressed: federal and state mandates, state funding limitations, academic and technological innovations and expectations for governance all directly impact the ability of public school entities to deliver high quality education. Helping school board directors, superintendents and other administrators understand how to apply the myriad of legal requirements facing them is the core of her practice. Sharon has spoken widely to audiences of educators and attorneys, both in school entities and for such organizations as the Pennsylvania Bar Institute and the Pennsylvania Association of Pupil Service Administrators.

Prior to joining the practice of law, she spent nearly a dozen years working in the field of education as a certified teacher, administrator, grant writer, and peer reviewer for both the United States Department of Education and the Pennsylvania Department of Education.

Additionally, she has volunteered her time with a number of professional and community organizations, including the New Horizons Montessori School, Aldie Counseling Foundation and The Council for Exceptional Children.

#### EDUCATION

Temple University School of Law (LL.M., Taxation) Temple University School of Law (J.D.) Temple University (M.Ed., summa cum laude) Arcadia University (B.A.)

## BAR ADMISSIONS

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

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