

Editor's Introduction to School Law Guidebook, 2025 edition

Written in plain English by a teacher and law school graduate, *School Law Guidebook* offers educational professionals a broad legal framework for understanding and responding to questions that arise daily in America's public schools. It provides a one-stop reference to help you understand the current law in such areas as:

- Free speech
- Religion
- Discrimination
- Student safety

This guidebook serves as a resource in determining what steps are appropriate when faced with challenging situations that involve student or teacher rights. You'll also find checklists to help you determine what level of due process and duty of care are required.

Highlights of the 2025 edition include discussion of:

- Additional examples of cases involving religion and schools (§ 3:22)
- Discussion of the 5th Circuit's decision in *Doe v. Ferguson* regarding qualified immunity (§ 6:11)
- New section on Closure of the United States Department of Education (§ 14:10)