

# Rachel Hitch

## PARTNER

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Rachel focuses her practice exclusively on education law, with an emphasis on issues in special education. She has represented school systems on numerous occasions defending against due process actions, state complaints, and OCR investigations.



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## BIOGRAPHY

She handles matters involving special education for school districts throughout the state, including special education grievances; rights of students under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (“IDEA”), and the Americans with Disabilities Act, as well as Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973.

Hitch was asked to participate in the working groups on both the state and national levels to provide input on state special education issues and the anticipated Congressional revision of the IDEA. She is a frequent speaker at the district, state, and national levels on many different topics dealing with education law.

## AREAS OF FOCUS

## **EDUCATION**

## **CREDENTIALS**

### **EDUCATION**

Campbell University School of Law, JD, 2002

Bloomsburg University, BA, 1997

### **PROFESSIONAL & COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES**

North Carolina Council of School Attorneys, Member, Past Chair

National Council of School Attorneys, Member

North Carolina Bar Association Education Law Section, Past Chair