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Anne Littlefield represents schools in labor relations, employment and education law, including collective bargaining, personnel policies and practices, constitutional law, special education, student discipline, freedom of information, and education policies. She negotiates collective bargaining agreements on behalf of schools, including representation in interest arbitration proceedings as needed. Anne works with schools to address issues such as bullying and sexual harassment. She is often called upon to advise schools regarding professional boundaries and child abuse and neglect issues. In her role as general counsel to boards of education around the state, Anne facilitates self-evaluation and goal-setting sessions. She also leads Shipman's model policy project, which provides policy support and guidance to a number of school districts. In addition, she is a frequent author and speaker on education matters. Anne also focuses on legal ethics and professional responsibility.

Anne is also accredited with the Department of Veterans Affairs ("VA") and prepares, presents and prosecutes veterans' claims before the VA.

Anne serves as General Counsel to Shipman. From 2010 through 2017, she was Co-Chair of the firm's School Law Practice Group, and from 2011 through 2017, she served on the firm's Management Committee.

Distinctions

- Listed in The Best Lawyers in America®: *Education Law* (2010-2021, 2023-2026)
- Named "Lawyer of the Year" (2012, 2017, 2020, 2025): Best Lawyers® Hartford Region *Education Law*
- *Hartford Business Journal*, "Top 25 Women in Business" (2024)

- Listed as a Connecticut Super Lawyer[®]: *Schools & Education* (2006, 2013-2021, 2024)
- New Leaders of the Law, *Connecticut Law Tribune* (2003)

Teaching Positions

- Quinnipiac University School of Law: Adjunct Professor, Education Law (former)
- Western New England College School of Law: Adjunct Professor, Education Law (former)
- Quinnipiac University Educational Leadership Program: Adjunct Professor, Education Law (former)

Professional Affiliations

- American Bar Association
- Connecticut Bar Association: Education Law Committee; Vice Chair
- Connecticut School Attorneys Council: Former President
- Girl Scouts of Connecticut: Board of Directors
- National School Boards' Association Council of School Attorneys: Former Member of the Board of Directors
- Rhode Island Bar Association

Community Involvement

- Planning & Zoning Commission, Town of Lyme, CT

Credentials

Education

- Harvard Divinity School, M.T.S., 1992
- Boston College, A.B., 1989, *magna cum laude*
- University of Virginia School of Law, J.D., 1995

Bar Admissions

- Connecticut, 1995