



SAUNDRA K. SCHUSTER, J.D.

Consultant ♦ Trainer ♦ Speaker

SYNOPSIS

A recognized expert in preventive and civil rights law for education, Saundra K. Schuster is widely sought after for her expertise in a broad array of issues, amassed from decades as a college general counsel, senior assistant attorney general, student affairs practitioner, and faculty member. She frequently speaks at conferences, conducts trainings for campus professionals, and offers litigation consultation, expert witness support, and civil rights investigation assistance. She has been interviewed by *The Chronicle of Higher Education*, *LA Weekly*, and other media outlets.

“Saunie Schuster has been invaluable to us over the years as we worked to address the issue of sexual assault on campus and develop the best policy and process as possible. She is extremely knowledgeable and up to date on the critical issues and the law.”

— Chuck Cleveland, VP of Student Affairs/Dean of Students
Whitman College

TOPICS OF EXPERTISE

- Sexual discrimination, harassment and violence — prevention and response in education.
- Title IX compliance, including administration, investigations, and hearings.
- College student conduct policies, procedures, and best practices.
- Free speech, First Amendment, and campus access issues.
- Americans with Disabilities Act/Section 504 compliance and program development.
- General risk management and liability issues.
- Threat assessment and behavioral intervention.
- Intellectual property law.
- Employment law and issues, including Title VII and other civil rights laws.
- Information sharing and privacy.
- Intersection of Title IX, the Violence Against Women Act, and Clery Act.

BIO

- Partner, The NCHERM Group, LLC (www.ncherms.org).
- Co-author: *The First Amendment: A Guide for College Administrators* and *The ATIXA Playbook*.
- Contributing Author: *The Book on BIT: Forming and Operating Effective Behavioral Intervention Teams on College Campuses*; *Student Conduct Practice: The Complete Guide for Student Affairs Professionals*; and *The State of Student Conduct: Current Forces and Future Challenges*.
- Co-founder and Advisory Board Member, ATIXA, the Association of Title IX Administrators (www.atixa.org)
- Editorial Board Member, *Report on Campus Safety*.
- Member, Board of Trustees, Columbus College of Art and Design.
- 25+ years in college administration and teaching, including as Associate Dean of Students at The Ohio State University and on the faculty at OSU, Miami University, and Columbus State Community College.
- Past-President of NaBITA, the National Behavioral Intervention Team Association (www.nabita.org); and Former President and Founding Member, Association for Student Conduct Administration (ASCA).
- Former General Counsel, Sinclair Community College; Associate General Counsel, University of Toledo; and Senior Assistant Attorney General, representing public colleges and universities, State of Ohio.

MEDIA AVAILABILITY

To book a consultation, please call (610) 579-3725. To interview, please call (610) 993-0229 and select option 4 for Media.

The NCHERM Group is the umbrella for linked organizations that serve to advance holistic, proactive prevention and risk management on college, university, and school campuses. It is both a law and consulting practice, having served the education field for more than 15 years.