

ATTORNEYS AT LAW

Maria Limbert Markakis serves as legal counsel to many school districts, educational service centers, STEM schools, community schools, sponsors and management companies. She concentrates her practice on general education law, special education law, labor and employment law and related litigation. Her practice involves assisting clients with collective bargaining agreements, employee grievances, employee evaluation and discipline issues; drafting and implementing school policies and codes of conduct; advising clients on student discipline issues and conducting student discipline hearings; advising clients on compliance with busses and bussing and school transportation laws; advising clients on issues regarding student enrollment, including residency, admission, custody, transfers and tuition; advising clients on issues arising under the Every Student Succeeds Act, the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, Ohio Open Meetings Law and Ohio Public Records Act.

Her special education law practice involves advising clients on issues arising under the Individuals with Disabilities in Education Act, the Americans With Disabilities Act and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act. She also trains school staff on special education laws, attends IEP meetings and mediation sessions, represents clients in due process hearings and files and responds to special education complaints.

Additionally, Ms. Markakis serves as the primary counsel to The Tri-County Educational Service Center Legal Consortium. The Consortium was developed to provide participating school districts direct, convenient and reduced cost access to legal counsel in all areas of education law. Ms. Markakis has an office at the Tri-County ESC. The Tri-County ESC Legal Consortium allows member districts to receive legal representation while controlling costs, eliminating duplication of legal advice, and increasing personal access to attorneys and shared services.

BAR ADMISSIONS AND MEMBERSHIPS

- Member of the Ohio State Bar Association and the Ohio School Boards Association
- Recognized by Ohio Super Lawyers as a Rising Star
- Listed in *Crain's Cleveland Business* "Who to Watch in Law 2013"

EDUCATION

- Received undergraduate degree from The Ohio State University (B.S., 1997 with honors)
- Studied abroad at the University of Oxford, England
- Received her law degree from The Ohio State Moritz College of Law (J.D., 2000)



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