



**Myrna Silver, Attorney-at-Law**

Myrna Silver practices primarily in the area of special education law, representing children with disabilities and their parents exclusively. She began practicing law in 1994, after a successful career as a secondary school science teacher. Although not a special education teacher, over the years she had many children with disabilities mainstreamed into her classes, and quickly realized that just a "little extra" attention to these children could make a great difference in their success in her class. Some of Myrna's fondest memories of her years as a teacher come from effectively working with children with a variety of special needs and the difference it made in their lives.

As an attorney, Myrna has helped parents of children with disabilities obtain special education services for their child, improve the structure and implementation of student's IEPs, and also obtain placements in private schools at school district

expense where a district was unable to provide a free, appropriate education for a child. She has accomplished this through participation in "ARD" (IEP team) meetings, mediations, and due process hearings, including prosecuting and defending appeals to federal district courts.

**Education**

- J.D. University of the Pacific, McGeorge School of Law
- M.A. The City College of New York
- B.A. Columbia University

**Credentials**

- Honors: Moot Court "Best Brief"
- Member, Moot Court Honors Board
- Licensed by the Supreme Court of the State of Texas to practice in all Texas courts
- Admitted to practice before the United States District Courts of the Northern and Eastern Districts of Texas
- Admitted to practice before the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit
- Professional Memberships: The College of the State Bar of Texas  
Council of Parent Attorneys and Advocated (COPAA)
- Sustaining member, College of the State Bar of Texas

**Areas of Practice**

- Special Education Advocacy
- Due Process Hearings and Appeals
- ARD Meetings
- Individual Education Plans
- Special Education Hearings