



## Isabel B. Ekman

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## Bio

Isabel Ekman primarily represents school districts on a diverse and ever-evolving spectrum of issues including special education and disability law, student rights, student discipline, and Title IX issues. Isabel also routinely advises healthcare providers on HIPAA compliance.

An experienced litigator, Isabel regularly represents her clients in state and federal courts, as well as in hearings before administrative agencies such as the Maine Human Rights Commission, Maine Department of Education, and the Office for Civil Rights. She draws upon effective negotiation skills to help her clients resolve disputes and avoid litigation. Isabel takes pride in serving her clients' interests by maintaining a friendly, approachable demeanor and forging positive relationships with parties even when their disputes are highly contested.

A sought-after thought leader in the education space, Isabel conducts customized trainings on special education law and Title IX compliance at the K-12 level. She has published numerous works on these topics, and is also frequently invited to present at conferences and events. Her expertise and professionalism earned her recognition by New England Super Lawyers as a Rising Star in the field of Schools and Education, and on the Best Lawyers "Ones to Watch" list in the field of Education Law.

Isabel enjoys spending time with her husband and daughters – especially exploring Maine's beaches and traveling. Having lived in Paris, France, Isabel speaks French fluently.

## Education

## Practice Areas

Health Care  
HIPAA Compliance  
School & Education  
Disability Law  
School Employment  
Special Education

## Admissions

Maine  
U.S. District Court for the  
District of Maine

University of Maine School of Law, J.D., *magna cum laude*, 2014

Mount Holyoke College, B.A., 2009

## **Recognition**

New England Super Lawyers, Schools and Education, Rising Star 2017-2022

Best Lawyers “Ones to Watch” – Education Law

## **Memberships**

Maine State Bar Association

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