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Weiss Burkardt Kramer LLC Welcomes Special Education Expertise of New Attorney

Rebecca Heaton Hall Becomes Third Attorney on Firm's Special Education Team

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 16, 2014 – A special education expert has joined one of Pennsylvania's leading municipal, school district and public sector law firms, helping to create a team of attorneys who focus on special education and school law.

Rebecca Heaton Hall, who has represented approximately 2,000 children throughout her career, has joined Weiss Burkardt Kramer LLC as an Associate Attorney, the firm announced today. Hall will join WBK Partner Jocelyn P. Kramer and Attorney Aimee Rankin Zundel to form a team primarily focused on special education matters for school districts.

"Rebecca's skills and experience bolster a number of Weiss Burkardt Kramer's practice areas, particularly special education matters," said Ira Weiss, partner and founder of the law firm. "We're thrilled to have such an impressive team comprised of attorneys who understand the nuances of this field of law."

Last year, Hall received the Achieva Excellence in Advocacy award, a distinction given to people, organizations and community groups who go above and beyond to help people with disabilities. This year, she was honored by Leading Education & Advocacy for Families, Inc., for her advocacy work.

In addition to her work in special education, Hall serves as an education, medical and mental health decision maker and a guardian *ad litem* to dependent children. Hall served as a staff attorney at KidsVoice, where she advocated for abused and neglected children. She started her career as an attorney at Southwestern Pennsylvania Legal Services.

She received her Juris Doctorate degree from the University of Pittsburgh School of Law and holds a Bachelor of Science from West Liberty State College.

Weiss Burkardt Kramer is widely acknowledged as one of Pennsylvania's leading public sector law firms focusing exclusively on education and municipal law. The firm also operates a delinquent tax collection service for municipalities and school districts throughout Western Pennsylvania.

For four decades, Weiss and his team have advised municipalities and school districts on matters relating to public sector finance, real estate tax assessment litigation, special education, labor and employment, zoning, construction litigation, legislative enactments and general litigation.

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