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Amy Kosanovich Dickerson serves as co-chair of the firm's K-12 Education Practice Group. Amy represents educational institutions, including public school districts, charter schools, private schools, and higher education institutions, as well as education-related organizations, in a variety of education law matters. Amy primarily counsels clients in student and labor and employment issues including student rights, student discipline, bullying, discrimination and harassment, civil rights, residency and homelessness, abuse and neglect and other matters involving the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS), student accommodation issues, Title IX complaints and investigations, education reform initiatives, employee and teacher evaluation, employee discipline and dismissal, and policy and governance issues.

Prior to joining the firm, Amy served as the law clerk for the Honorable Morton Denlow, U.S. Magistrate Judge, Northern District of Illinois. Prior to attending law school, Amy taught fifth and sixth grades in the District of Columbia Public School System as a Teach for America Corps Member.

Amy serves on the Executive Committee of the Illinois Council of School Attorneys, and is co-chair of the Council’s Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Committee. She is also an active member of the National Council of School Attorneys and frequently speaks on education law topics at various bar association and school administrator association events. Amy has served as an adjunct professor at Loyola University Chicago School of Law teaching Education Law and Policy, Legal Writing, and has also served as a faculty member for Loyola’s Childlaw Trial Practice course.

Amy participates in various community interest initiatives with Franczek P.C., including leading the Firm’s Education Law Practicum program with Loyola University Chicago School of Law. Amy enjoys being outdoors and spending time with her family, including her twin daughters and twin sons.

Education

- J.D., *magna cum laude,* Loyola University Chicago School of Law, 2007
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Bar & Court Admissions

- Illinois
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Recognition

Amy has been recognized by *Leading Lawyers* magazine since 2015.