

## Maura McInerney, Esq., Appointed ELC's New Legal Director

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Dear Friends of ELC --

The Board and Staff of the Education Law Center are thrilled to announce that Maura McInerney has been named ELC's Legal Director! Maura, an attorney at the Education Law Center since 2007, has over thirty years of litigation experience in the private and public



sectors. At ELC, Maura has litigated precedent-setting state and federal cases on behalf of at-risk children, including a class-action lawsuit filed on behalf of children in foster care which resulted in the dismantling of an inferior, segregated school and award of compensatory education services to hundreds of children, the filing of several cases on behalf of children experiencing homelessness which resulted in new protections, and several disability-related cases. She has also served as ELC's lead attorney on cases such as our successful litigation on behalf of older immigrant youth denied access to

school and our ongoing statewide school funding lawsuit.

In addition to leading ELC's litigation efforts, Maura engages in legislative and policy work at the national and state level and is recognized as a national expert on laws involving the education rights of children who are homeless, in foster care, and students with disabilities. Along with leaders of other organizations, she helped to co-found both the national Legal Center for Foster Care and Education and the national Legal Center for Youth Justice in Education and continues to represent ELC in these important initiatives.

Maura's appointment is an exciting new development as we continue to grow our work. She is a brilliant, hard-working, visionary, and compassionate attorney. Please join me in congratulating Maura in person tomorrow night at

## ELC's 2017 Annual Celebration!

Thank you!



Deborah Gordon Klehr, Esq.  
Executive Director


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