

2017 Short Bio for Leslie A. Allen

**Leslie A. Allen** is a Partner in the Birmingham, Alabama office of Resolutions in Special Education, Inc., where she represents and advises public school districts and other education agencies on special education law matters. Leslie is a member of the State Bars of Alabama and Georgia and is admitted to practice in state and federal courts in both states, as well as before the United States Supreme Court. With the focus of her practice exclusively on special education law, she also has more than 20 years of broad civil litigation experience, including in the areas of employment, healthcare, general liability insurance, general commercial and complex business law. Just prior to joining RISE, she practiced law with the Birmingham firm of Christian & Small, after moving from Atlanta, Georgia where she had practiced law since 1995. Leslie is a Birmingham native and completed her undergraduate work at the University of Alabama, where she graduated *summa cum laude*. She then graduated *cum laude* from the Georgetown University Law Center in Washington, D.C.