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Chase Bonwell advises and defends public school districts on a broad range of legal issues with emphasis on civil litigation, employee discipline, and labor relations.

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PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS

Attorney, Porter Foster Rorick LLP, 2021–present

EDUCATION

Seattle University School of Law, Seattle, Washington, J.D., cum laude, 2021

Lead Article Editor, *Seattle University Law Review*

University of Washington, Seattle, Washington, B.A., 2018

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Washington Council of School Attorneys

AREAS OF EXPERTISE

- Public Records Act/FERPA
- Open Public Meetings Act
- Civil litigation
- Employee discipline and discharge
- Special education

PRACTICE HIGHLIGHTS

- *Wahkiakum School District No. 200 v. State of Washington*, No. 101052-4 (Wash. 2022). Drafted memorandum of amicus curiae in support of Wahkiakum School District’s Petition for Direct Review before the Washington Supreme Court.
- *Grijalva et al. v. Tahoma School District #409 et al.*, No. 22-2-19703-0 (King County Superior Court 2022). Successfully defended school district in injunction proceedings regarding non-school district recreational sports programs.

- *In re Tahoma School District*, 2022-SE-0109 (OAH 2022). Drafted successful summary judgment motion in due process hearing requested by parents regarding the school district’s obligation to provide special education services to a nonresident student.
- *K.L. v. Bellingham School District*, No. 2:21-CV-00979 (W.D. Wash. 2022). Drafted successful brief in federal appeal of due process hearing decision prompting the court’s acceptance of settlement without appointment of settlement guardian ad litem.
- *Hood v. Shoreline School District*, No. 21-2-13843-4 (King County Superior Court 2022). Obtained summary judgment dismissing plaintiff’s public records claim as time-barred under the statute of limitations.

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

- “Social Media: Cyberbullying Issues in Schools,” *Cowlitz & Wahkiakum School Safety Summit*, August 2022.