

Title IX Law

Plunkett Cooney attorneys have served as counsel to institutions of higher education for decades, and they remain at the forefront of such cutting edge issues as Title IX Law.

Since the U.S. Department of Education Office of Civil Rights (OCR) issued its “Dear Colleague” letter in 2011, our attorneys have been advising colleges and universities across the country on how to meet the mandates with respect to investigating and adjudicating complaints of sexual misconduct on campus.

This has been especially onerous for small institutions, because often there are not adequate resources available to hire or train investigators, Title IX directors and hearing panel members to hear and decide cases.

Plunkett Cooney attorneys assist their clients with training staff, drafting policies and assembling the administrative apparatus necessary to meet the new requirements issued by OCR. They are also available to serve as independent third-party Title IX investigators.

If the unavoidable civil lawsuit or complaint with the U.S. Department of Education occurs, Plunkett Cooney attorneys have extensive experience defending colleges and universities in more formal proceedings related to Title IX.