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EDUCATION

J.D., Stanford Law School

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PRACTICE AREAS

Student
Labor & Employment
Governance

BAR ADMISSION

California

OVERVIEW

Jonathan E. Berry-Smith is an associate in Lozano Smith's Walnut Creek Office. His practice is focused on the student, labor and employment and governance aspects of education law.

EXPERIENCE

Mr. Berry-Smith is experienced in researching California statutes and case law, and advises school district administrators on all aspects of education law. He reviews and revises documents used throughout the employee discipline process, such as charge packets, notices of administrative leave, and collective bargaining grievance responses. He participates in the review of charter school petitions, inter-district attendance transfer requests, and student expulsion appeals.

Mr. Berry-Smith counsels and coordinates with school districts transitioning to a by-trustee area method of election pursuant to the California Voting Rights Act (CVRA). He also provides guidance on the Brown Act to school district administrators and board members.

EDUCATION

Mr. Berry-Smith received his Juris Doctor from Stanford Law School where he was Co-President of Street Law, and Co-Founder of Youth & Education Advocates at Stanford. He was also involved with the Youth and Education Law Project Clinic and the Stanford Prison Education Project. He earned a M.A. in Education from Stanford Graduate School of Education and a B.A. in Legal Studies from the University of California, Berkeley.