

Speaker Biography



Debra Weinberg is the Director of Community Advocacy at Disability Rights Louisiana. Ms. Weinberg has worked at DRLA since July 2010, prior to her current position she served as a Managing Attorney. She has represented people with disabilities in administrative hearings, mediation, state complaint proceedings, state court, and federal court on a variety of disability-related issues, with a focus on Medicaid, Special Education, and Vocational Rehabilitation. Ms. Weinberg has trained doctors, medical students, attorneys, judges, court staff, advocates, social workers, and parents on a variety of disability-related issues. Prior to this work at DRLA, she served as an Equal Justice Works AmeriCorps Legal Fellow at the Louisiana Bar Foundation in collaboration with DRLA (then the Advocacy Center), focusing on special education for children with disabilities. Ms. Weinberg earned her J.D. in the Epstein Program in Public Interest Law and Policy at The University of California, Los Angeles, School of Law. She currently serves as Co-Chair to the Louisiana State Bar Association's Legal Services for Persons with Disabilities Committee.