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LRP's National Institute Announces ABC's "Nightline" Co-Anchor, Byron Pitts, as General Session Speaker

The Emmy award-winning journalist will be a part of the 2022 event for special education attorneys and educators to provide evidence-based research, case law and compliance guidance to help effectively serve students with disabilities.

PALM BEACH GARDENS, Fla. – April 19, 2022 – LRP's National Institute on Legal Issues of Educating Individuals with Disabilities®, the leading source for compliance strategies and case updates impacting special education programs, announced today Co-Anchor of ABC's "Nightline," Byron Pitts, as a General Session speaker for the conference taking place April 24 - 27, 2022 at the Kentucky International Convention Center in Louisville.

Pitts covers national news stories and in-depth features, and reports for "Good Morning America," "World News Tonight with David Muir" and other shows. He is a multiple Emmy award-winning journalist known for his thoughtful storytelling. His memoir, *Step Out on Nothing: How Faith and Family Helped Me Conquer Life's Challenges*, chronicled his journey overcoming illiteracy and a stutter to become a journalist. In 2017, Byron profiled six young adults who overcame hardship with hope in his book, *Be the One*.

Prior to joining ABC News, Pitts spent 15 years at CBS News where he served as Chief National Correspondent for "The CBS Evening News," filed regularly for "60 Minutes," and won an Emmy for his coverage of the 9/11 terrorist attacks. He was named the National Association of Black Journalists Journalist of the Year in 2002. His General Session, BRING YOUR BOAT: You're Enough, will take place on Monday, April 25 at 3:15 p.m.

"We are thrilled to have Byron Pitts as a part of this year's event," said Julie J. Kline, Esq., Vice President of Education, LRP Media Group and Conference Chair. "As a new addition to the program he will bring a fresh perspective and exceptional insight to our attendees."

Along with Pitts' General Session, LRP's National Institute will include two additional captivating General Sessions from Jan Tomsky, Partner, Fagen Friedman & Fulfrost, LLP, and Karen Haase, Attorney, KSB School Law, PC, LLO. The 2022 event will bring together 38 speakers to deliver top-notch compliance and implementation strategies in more than 35 sessions. The Institute will also feature eight Pre- and Post-Conference Symposiums as well as an Expo Hall that will offer a unique opportunity for attendees to discover the latest innovations in classroom technologies and find new ways to improve students' learning outcomes.

Registration is now open for LRP's National Institute on Legal Issues of Educating Individuals with Disabilities. For more information and to register visit www.LRPInstitute.com or call toll-free 1-800-727-1227.

About LRP's National Institute on Legal Issues of Educating Individuals with Disabilities®

LRP's National Institute on Legal Issues of Educating Individuals with Disabilities has been delivering the highest-quality professional development possible to special educators for over 40 years. With a robust program focusing on legal compliance and best practices, the National Institute provides the tools and resources needed for educators to make an impact in the lives of students, special education programs and their communities.

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