



## Anatomy of a Lawsuit: What Every Education Leader Should Know About Legal Actions

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SAGE Publications Inc. Paperback. Book Condition: new. BRAND NEW, Anatomy of a Lawsuit: What Every Education Leader Should Know About Legal Actions, Robert J. Shoop, Dennis R. Dunklee, Our society has always been drawn to the subject of jury trials with a mixture of fascination and anxiety, and we often tend to associate the jury process with criminal trials. In real life, including the world of public, private and parochial education, school leaders are much more likely to get involved in a civil trial. This generally means a case involving liability for alleged negligence. However, school leaders are not immune from involvement in criminal actions. A few examples of the hundreds of situations in which school leaders have recently been involved as defendants, plaintiffs, witnesses, or respondents include: o Criminal defendant: sexual assault o Civil defendant: employment discrimination o Criminal plaintiff: coach assaulted by parent o Civil plaintiff: teacher alleging defamation o Character witness: student seeks diversion agreement o Factual witness: administrator passing in hallway when science lab explodes o Respondent to interrogatories: principal required to compile and produce employment records, curriculum guides, test scores, and more o Consulting expert witness: school leaders helping attorneys understand high-stake testing procedures o Testifying...



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