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Meet Paige Duggins-Clay, J.D., IDRA Chief Legal Analyst

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We are pleased to introduce Paige Duggins-Clay, J.D., IDRA's Chief Legal Analyst. She will coordinate IDRA's legal research and strategy, expert testimony, and *amicus curiae* advocacy to elevate the voices of students and coalition partners. Her work builds on IDRA's almost 50-year legacy of support to families, educators and their attorneys seeking education justice through the courts. Ms. Duggins-Clay also leads our policy advocacy related to school discipline and policing in Texas.



Prior to joining IDRA, Ms. Duggins-Clay worked as an associate at Husch Blackwell LLP, where she handled litigation, investigations, training and compliance on behalf of education institutions, with a focus on equity and

organizational response to misconduct. In 2019, she was named a “Top 20 Up and Coming Lawyer” by the *Austin Black Business Journal*.

Ms. Duggins-Clay also served as a law clerk for Texas Supreme Court Justice Jeff Boyd and intern for federal district court Judge Lee Yeakel. As a law fellow for the Texas Civil Rights Project, Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund, and Texas Rio Grande Legal Aid, she supported the organizations’ litigation and policy advocacy. As a legislative aide, she advised Texas Senators Judith Zaffirini and Wendy Davis on school finance and school-to-prison pipeline issues.

Ms. Duggins-Clay has a law degree from the University of Texas School of Law, where she was the inaugural G. Rollie White Public Service Scholar. She also earned a certification in human rights, conflict management, and community development from the Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University in South Africa. She has a bachelor’s degree in education and English and a minor in race and ethnic studies from Southwestern University.

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