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BCLP PARTNER AS LEAD SOURCE IN LAW.COM'S COVERAGE OF DOE DISMANTLING

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BCLP Partner Sarah Hartley served as the lead source in *Law.com's* in-depth feature examining the sweeping legal and structural implications following the Trump administration's executive order to dismantle the Department of Education.

The piece details how the move has triggered widespread uncertainty across the educational landscape—raising questions about oversight, enforcement of civil rights laws, and the future of federal funding.

Sarah, who advises on antitrust, athletics, higher education, and governance matters, spoke to the heightened concern among institutions navigating the evolving landscape, and how institutions are responding to these developments and the potential risks ahead.

"A lot of institutions, universities, and law firms are fearful of retaliation and of being the one caught in the crosshairs," she told Law.com.

Sarah also addressed the measured shifts many institutions are making in response to these changes, adding:

"There are things that many higher education institutions have been doing to make their websites less focused on diversity, equity, and inclusion and more focused on inclusive communities... without changing much in terms of the substance of what they are doing on campus."

On how she's advising clients through this uncertainty, Sarah noted:

"Executive orders are pronouncements, but with limited force and effect."

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