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BIOGRAPHY:

Jay Vaughan joined the Education Practice Group at Dow Lohnes in Washington, D.C. in 2002 specializing in higher education matters. Mr. Vaughan assists institutions to understand state, accreditation, and federal laws regulating the field of postsecondary education, specifically focusing on standards of financial responsibility, mergers and acquisitions, and other substantive changes. He also works with institutions responding to negative actions from regulatory authorities, represents clients in hearings before accrediting bodies, and works proactively with institutions to prevent adverse actions.

Prior to joining Dow Lohnes, Mr. Vaughan worked as a manager for the Accrediting Council for Independent Colleges and Schools, with primary responsibility for the financial review of accredited member institutions, change of ownership and nonmain campus applications, and administrative appeals. During his seven-year tenure at ACICS, Mr. Vaughan completed hundreds of on-site evaluations of accredited and applicant institutions.

RECENT SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS:

Preparing to Buy or Sell a School – California Association of Private Postsecondary Schools Annual Conference, Los Angeles, CA (October 2009)

Regulation of Cross-Border e-Learning: What Triggers State Authority? – Career College Association Webinar (June 2009)

SEVIS: Big Changes on the Horizon – Career College Association Annual Conference, Orlando, FL (June 2009)

Financial Stability: What can regulators do when the numbers don't add up? – National Association of State Administrators and Supervisors of Private Schools Annual Conference, Charleston, SC (April 2009)

Campus Crime, Safety and Privacy – Virginia Career College Association, Richmond, VA (October 2008)

Title IV Compliance and Recent Developments - Coalition of New York State Career Schools, Port Jefferson, N.Y. (November 2007)

Navigating Accreditation Requirements: How to Survive Peer Review - California Association of Private Postsecondary Schools, San Diego, CA (October 2007)

Surviving Satisfactory Academic Progress - Florida Association of Private Colleges and Schools Annual Conference, Hollywood, FL (July 2007)

Substantive Change: Establishing Internal Review Processes for Title IV and Accreditation Compliance - Career College Association Annual Conference, New Orleans, LA (June 2007)

Federal Financing of Higher Education - Title IV Higher Ed Act Update - Coalition of New York State Career Schools, West Point, N.Y. (November 2006)

Herding Cats: The Regulation of Online Education and Recruiting - California Association of Private Postsecondary Schools, San Diego, CA (October 2006)

Title IV Updates - Florida Association of Private Colleges and Schools Annual Conference, Hollywood, FL (July 2006)

Entering the Ether: State and Accreditation Expectations for Online Education – Career College Association Annual Conference, Las Vegas, NV (June 2006)

Herding Cats: The Regulation of Online Education by State Agencies – National Association of State Administrators and Supervisors of Private Schools Annual Conference, Phoenix, AZ (April 2006)

Common Title IV Compliance Issues - Regions II/III Private Career Colleges and Schools Conference, Philadelphia, PA (April 2006)

Common Title IV Compliance Issues - Region IV Private Career Colleges and Schools Conference, Atlanta, GA (March 2006)

Financial Aid Outsourcing - FAPSC Winter Meeting, Orlando, FL (February 2006)

Common Title IV Compliance Issues - Region VII Private Career Colleges and Schools Conference, Kansas City, MO (January 2006)

EDUCATION:

B.S., James Madison University, 1993

J.D., The George Washington University Law School, 2001

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND MEMBERSHIPS:

Bar Admissions – Virginia, 2001; District of Columbia, 2002

Member – National Association of Colleges and University Attorneys

Dean's Fellow – 2000-2001

Member – Moot Court Board