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Adele Rapport graduated from the University of Michigan Law School in 1980. She is currently the Regional Director for the Department of Education's Office for Civil Rights (Chicago). She was the Regional Attorney for the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission's Detroit District office from 1993-2006. Overall Ms. Rapport has over 20 years of federal civil rights enforcement experience. During her tenure at OCR and EEOC Ms. Rapport has worked collaboratively with the Department of Justice (Main Justice, Community Relations Services and US Attorney's offices) on litigation and training initiatives.

Ms. Rapport currently is a member of the Executive Committee for the Chicago Federal Executive Board, and the Treasurer for the ABA Government and Public Sector Lawyers Division Council, where she works with attorneys from federal, state and local government agencies as well as JAGs. Ms. Rapport is also active in the ABA's Labor and Employment Section's CLE committee, and was the 2013 government lawyer of the year for that section.

Ms. Rapport is a former governor of the Board of Governors for the College of Labor and Employment Lawyers. In that capacity Ms. Rapport developed an ethics program for government lawyers and has presented annual ethics seminars for attorneys and non-attorneys from a variety of federal agencies for the past 10 years.

Ms. Rapport has held leadership positions in the American Association for Justice Rights and the Michigan Bar Association's labor and employment sections. She is also a former Commissioner for the ABA Commission on Mental and Physical Disability Law and is a liaison for the ABA Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity Commission. From 1994-2006 Ms. Rapport was an Adjunct Professor of Law at the University of Detroit Mercy School of Law where she taught employment discrimination and disability rights.