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An Interview with Brandon Wright

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**Biographical Information Overview of Interview:** Brandon Wright was born in Cape Girardeau, Missouri in 1980. He graduated from Anna-Jonesboro High School in 1998, Southern Illinois University-Carbondale in 2001 with a BA degree in communications, and the University of Illinois Law School in 2004. At the time of the interview he practiced School Law with a specialty in Special Education and school reorganization for the firm of Miller, Tracy, Braun, Funk, and Miller Ltd in Monticello, Illinois. His interest in school reorganization began with his attending a dual school district. He served as a board member for Anna-Jonesboro High School District and worked with the Regional Office of Education on detachment and annexation cases. His work is cited in the Illinois Institute of Continuing Legal Education. Brandon also teaches 'school law' for Southern Illinois University in Carbondale. His interview covers court cases, statues and legal hurdles of school reorganization. He also explains the importance of Article 11-E of the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law (PTELL), and the revisions of 2006.

**Subject Headings/Key Words:** School Reorganization issues; School Law; Lakeview Case; Brown vs Board of Education; Lake Villa, Illinois; Olympia, Illinois; Anna-Jonesboro schools; Lick Creek, Illinois; Hillsboro-Witt-Nokomis schools; Article 11-E, Property Tax Extension Limitation Law (PTELL); Unit/dual districts, 2006 Revision; Classrooms First Commission; school reorganization feasibility studies

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