

**Post IEP Facilitation
Attorney Survey Results
N=11
2004 - 2008**

**1. Role of the attorney
(n=1)**

	%	n
Attorney for Petitioner	63.6	7
Attorney for Respondent	36.4	4

**2. Primary role of the attorney
(n=11)**

	%	n
Active participant	90.9	10
Adviser	9.1	1

Facilitation Process – the following statements address the attorneys' perception of the facilitation process

**1. The attorneys believe their clients understood the IEP facilitation process.
(n=11)**

	%	n
Strongly agree	90.9	10
Agree	9.1	1
Slightly agree	0	0
No opinion	0	0
Slightly disagree	0	0
Disagree	0	0
Strongly disagree	0	0

Note: 100 % of the attorneys reported that their clients understood the IEP facilitation process.

2. The attorneys believed that it was important for their clients to be a part of the decision making process. (n=11)

	%	n
Strongly agree	72.7	8
Agree	27.3	3
Slightly agree	0	0
No opinion	0	0
Slightly disagree	0	0
Disagree	0	0
Strongly disagree	0	0

Note: 100% of the attorneys believed that it is important for their clients to be a part of the decision making process.

3. The attorneys believed that facilitation allowed the client to be part of the decision making process. (n=11)

	%	n
Strongly agree	63.6	7
Agree	27.3	3
Slightly agree	0	0
No opinion	0	0
Slightly disagree	0	0
Disagree	9.1	1
Strongly disagree	0	0

Note: 90.9% of the attorneys believed that facilitation allowed the client to be a part of the decision making process.

4. The attorneys believed that facilitation helped the client move to a satisfactory outcome. (n=11)

	%	n
Strongly agree	36.4	4
Agree	45.5	5
Slightly agree	9.1	1
No opinion	0	0
Slightly disagree	0	0
Disagree	0	0
Strongly disagree	9.1	1

Note: 90.9% of the attorneys believed that facilitation helped the client move to a satisfactory outcome.

**5. Overall, the attorneys were satisfied with facilitation process used at the IEP meeting.
(n=11)**

	%	n
Strongly agree	72.7	8
Agree	27.3	3
Slightly agree	0	0
No opinion	0	0
Slightly disagree	0	0
Disagree	0	0
Strongly disagree	0	0

Note: 100% of the attorneys were satisfied with the facilitation process used at the IEP meeting.

**6. The attorney would encourage future clients to use the facilitated IEP process again.
(n=11)**

	%	n
Strongly agree	72.7	8
Agree	27.3	3
Slightly agree	0	0
No opinion	0	0
Slightly disagree	0	0
Disagree	0	0
Strongly disagree	0	0

Note: 100% of the attorneys would encourage future clients to use the facilitated IEP process.

**7. The attorneys believed that the facilitation will improve future IEP meetings.
(n=11)**

	%	n
Strongly agree	54.5	6
Agree	36.4	4
Slightly agree	0	0
No opinion	0	0
Slightly disagree	0	0
Disagree	9.1	1
Strongly disagree	0	0

Note: 90.9% of the attorneys believe that the facilitation will improve future IEP meetings.

Facilitator – the following statements will address the attorneys’ perception of the facilitator

- 1. The attorney believed that it was important for the facilitator to know a lot about special education. (n=11)**

	%	n
Strongly agree	81.8	9
Agree	18.2	2
Slightly agree	0	0
No opinion	0	0
Slightly disagree	0	0
Disagree	0	0
Strongly disagree	0	0

Note: 100% of the attorneys believed that it is important for the facilitator to know a lot about special education.

- 2. The attorney believed that the facilitator knew a lot about special education. (n=11)**

	%	n
Strongly agree	36.4	4
Agree	9.1	1
Slightly agree	0	0
No opinion	0	0
Slightly disagree	0	0
Disagree	0	0
Strongly disagree	54.5	6

Note: 45.5% of the attorneys believed that the facilitator knew a lot about special education.

- 3. The attorney believed that the facilitator explained the process thoroughly. (n=11)**

	%	n
Strongly agree	90.9	10
Agree	9.1	1
Slightly agree	0	0
No opinion	0	0
Slightly disagree	0	0
Disagree	0	0
Strongly disagree	0	0

Note: 100% of the attorneys believed that the facilitator explained the process thoroughly.

**4. The attorney believed that the facilitator was neutral.
(n=11)**

	%	n
Strongly agree	81.8	9
Agree	9.1	1
Slightly agree	9.1	1
No opinion	0	0
Slightly disagree	0	0
Disagree	0	0
Strongly disagree	0	0

Note: 100% of the attorneys believed that the facilitator was neutral.

**5. The attorney believed that the facilitator was respectful to all parties.
(n=11)**

	%	n
Strongly agree	72.7	8
Agree	27.3	3
Slightly agree	0	0
No opinion	0	0
Slightly disagree	0	0
Disagree	0	0
Strongly disagree	0	0

Note: 100% of the attorneys believed that the facilitator was respectful.

**6. The attorney believed that the facilitator pressured their clients into agreeing with the IEP.
(n=11)**

	%	n
Strongly agree	36.4	4
Agree	18.2	2
Slightly agree	0	0
No opinion	0	0
Slightly disagree	9.1	1
Disagree	0	0
Strongly disagree	36.4	4

Note: 54.5% of the attorneys believed their clients felt pressured to agree with the IEP.

**7. The attorney believed that the facilitator used time adequately.
(n=11)**

	%	n
Strongly agree	36.4	4
Agree	9.1	1
Slightly agree	0	0
No opinion	9.1	1
Slightly disagree	0	0
Disagree	18.2	2
Strongly disagree	27.3	3

Note: 45.5% of the attorneys believed that the facilitator used time adequately.

**8. The attorney believed the facilitator was organized.
(n=11)**

	%	n
Strongly agree	63.6	7
Agree	27.3	3
Slightly agree	0	0
No opinion	9.1	1
Slightly disagree	0	0
Disagree	0	0
Strongly disagree	0	0

Note: 90.9% of the attorneys believed that the facilitator was organized.

**9. The attorney believed that the facilitator kept the meeting focused.
(n=9; this item not completed on 2 surveys)**

	%	n
Strongly agree	44.4	4
Agree	11.1	1
Slightly agree	0	0
No opinion	0	0
Slightly disagree	0	0
Disagree	11.1	1
Strongly disagree	33.3	3

Note: 55.5% of the attorneys believed that the facilitator kept the meeting focused.

**10. The attorney would use the facilitator again.
(n=9 this item not completed on 2 surveys)**

	%	n
Strongly agree	77.8	7
Agree	22.2	2
Slightly agree	0	0
No opinion	0	0
Slightly disagree	0	0
Disagree	0	0
Strongly disagree	0	0

Note: 100% of the attorneys would use the facilitator again.

**11. There was an IEP developed by the end of the meeting(s).
(n=6; this item not completed on 5 surveys)**

	%	n
Yes	66.6	4
No	33.3	2

IEP Developed – attorneys were asked to complete the following survey items if there WAS an IEP developed at the meeting(s).

**1. The attorneys believed that their clients were satisfied with the IEP that was agreed upon.
(n=7; this item not completed on 4 surveys)**

	%	n
Strongly agree	71.4	5
Agree	28.6	2
Slightly agree	0	0
No opinion	0	0
Slightly disagree	0	0
Disagree	0	0
Strongly disagree	0	0

Note: 100% of the attorneys believed that their clients were satisfied with the IEP that was agreed upon.

**2. The participants believed that others will follow through.
(n=7; this item not completed on 4 surveys))**

	%	n
Strongly agree	71.4	5
Agree	28.6	2
Slightly agree	0	0
No opinion	0	0
Slightly disagree	0	0
Disagree	0	0
Strongly disagree	0	0

Note: 100% of the attorneys believed that the participants will follow through.

**3. The attorneys believed that the outcome was better than expected.
(n=7; this item not completed on 4 surveys)**

	%	n
Strongly agree	50	2
Agree	25	1
Slightly agree	0	0
No opinion	25	1
Slightly disagree	0	0
Disagree	0	0
Strongly disagree	0	0

Note: 75% of the attorneys believed that the outcome was better than expected

**4. The attorney believed that facilitated IEP was helpful.
(n=4 this item not completed on 7 surveys)**

	%	n
Strongly agree	75	3
Agree	0	0
Slightly agree	0	0
No opinion	36.4	4
Slightly disagree	0	0
Disagree	0	0
Strongly disagree	0	0

Note: 75% of the attorneys believed that facilitated IEP was helpful.

IEP was not developed – participants were asked to complete this part of the survey if an IEP was NOT developed at the meeting(s).

1. The participant believed that the facilitator was ineffective.

(n=1; this item not completed on 10 surveys)

	%	n
Strongly agree	0	0
Agree	0	0
Slightly agree	0	0
No opinion	0	0
Slightly disagree	0	0
Disagree	100	1
Strongly disagree	0	0

Note: 0% of the attorneys believed that the participants thought the facilitator was ineffective.

2. The attorney believed that others were unwilling to negotiate.

(n=1; this item not completed on 10 surveys)

	%	n
Strongly agree	0	0
Agree	0	0
Slightly agree	0	0
No opinion	0	0
Slightly disagree	100	1
Disagree	0	0
Strongly disagree	0	0

Note: 100% did not believe that others were unwilling to negotiate.

3. The attorney believed that their client felt pressured to sign. (n=1; this item not completed on 10 surveys)

	%	n
Strongly agree	0	0
Agree	0	0
Slightly agree	0	0
No opinion	0	0
Slightly disagree	0	0
Disagree	100	1
Strongly disagree	0	0

Note: 0% of the attorneys believed their clients felt pressured.

4. The attorney believed that their clients' viewpoint was NOT respected.

(n=1; this item not completed on 10 surveys)

	%	n
Strongly agree	0	0
Agree	0	0
Slightly agree	0	0
No opinion	0	0
Slightly disagree	100	1
Disagree	0	0
Strongly disagree	0	0

Note: 0% of attorneys believed their clients' viewpoint was not respected

5. The attorney believed that other participants will not follow through.

(n=1; this item not completed on 10 surveys)

	%	n
Strongly agree	0	0
Agree	100	1
Slightly agree	0	0
No opinion	0	0
Slightly disagree	0	0
Disagree	0	0
Strongly disagree	0	0

Note: 100% of the attorneys believed that other participants would not follow through.

6. The attorney believed that the participants could not agree on an acceptable resolution.

(n=0; this item not completed on 11 surveys)

	%	n
Strongly agree	0	0
Agree	0	0
Slightly agree	0	0
No opinion	0	0
Slightly disagree	0	0
Disagree	0	0
Strongly disagree	0	0

**7. The attorney will advise the client to take further action.
(n=0; this item not completed on 11 surveys)**

	%	n
Strongly agree	0	0
Agree	0	0
Slightly agree	0	0
No opinion	0	0
Slightly disagree	0	0
Disagree	0	0
Strongly disagree	0	0

**8. The attorney believed that the client was unwilling to negotiate.
(n=0; this item not completed on 11 surveys)**

	%	n
Strongly agree	0	0
Agree	0	0
Slightly agree	0	0
No opinion	0	0
Slightly disagree	0	0
Disagree	0	0
Strongly disagree	0	0