

## 2013 Registration Form

### New Tools and Opportunities for Advancing Sound Land Use

Please print the information requested. You may copy this form as needed.

Nickname or Badge Name

Name

Position/Title

Municipality and County

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State

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Accessibility & Other Needs

I am a:  A Municipal Official  An Attorney

*\*For contact about course cancellations that may occur after business hours.*

*Trainees are admitted to workshops without regard to race, color, age, sex, religion, political affiliation, national origin, or disability.*

### Workshop Location:

- SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2013**  
**Berks County Agricultural Center**

### Registration Fees:

All fees include written materials and breaks.

- \$45 Municipal Officials**  
(Qualifies for Advanced Master Planner Cert.)
- \$90 Attorneys** (Includes 3 Substantive CLE's)

## Date & Location

If you need directions to any of the workshop locations, please visit the facility's Web site or call the facility at the telephone number listed below.

- **SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2013**  
**BERKS COUNTY AGRICULTURAL CENTER**  
1238 County Welfare Road  
Leesport, PA 19533  
www.berks.extension.psu.edu

For directions, please call (610) 929-6503.

### Facility Information

**THE LAND USE INSTITUTE** will take place at the Berks County Agricultural Center, located at 1238 County Welfare Road in Leesport, Pa. For directions, please call (610) 929-6503.

**THE CENTER FOR EXCELLENCE IN LOCAL GOVERNMENT** is a partnership involving Albright College, Berks County and its local governments, and the private sector.

**THE MISSION OF THE CENTER** is to assist local government officials in providing effective leadership for the efficient delivery of current and future services and for setting public policies.

**THE CENTER** provides assistance to local governments through education; training and technical advice; cooperative initiatives; research; and information and referral services.

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- Governor's Center for Local Government Services

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- Berks County Bar Association
- Berks County Planning Commission
- Pennsylvania Local Government Training Partnership

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Pennsylvania State Association of Township Commissioners  
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## Governor's Center for Local Government Services

TRAINING PROGRAM

### Planning Series PA Land Use Institute



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AN ANNUAL SERIES  
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## New Tools and Opportunities for Advancing Sound Land Use A Conference For Municipal Officials And Solicitors

**February 23, 2013 (Snowdate: March 2)**  
**Berks County Agricultural Center**  
**Reading, Berks County**

*This program has been approved by the Berks County Bar Association for three credit hours of substantive law.*

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## ***New Tools and Opportunities for Advancing Sound Land Use***

**EVERY MUNICIPAL OFFICIAL KNOWS** that land use management and the wise planning done today will help prepare a community for tomorrow. But how does a municipality navigate the sometimes bumpy road to effective land use management and how do municipal officials address the myriad legal issues that they must confront? Add to this mix the amendments to the Municipalities Planning Code (Acts 67 and 68 of 2000) that give municipalities more options for land use planning.

**THE PENNSYLVANIA LAND USE INSTITUTE** was formed to educate and update local officials and municipal solicitors about land use issues, the implications and opportunities arising out of Acts 67 and 68 of 2000, and recent court decisions surrounding land use. Over the years, the subjects addressed during the Institute have expanded and now cover topics relevant to the planning community, such as transportation, residential development concerns, open space development, and ethical issues, making this a must-attend event for municipal officials and solicitors involved in planning for their community's future.

**THE GOVERNOR'S CENTER FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES** has partnered with the Center for Excellence in Local Government. This conference will help local elected officials and municipal solicitors make sense of the legal issues surrounding land use and planning.

**Learn how to plan wisely for tomorrow, address legal issues, and get updates on MPC amendments.**

## ***Schedule at a Glance***

- **8:00 – 8:30 AM** Registration
- **8:30 – 10:30 AM** Recent Land Use Court Decisions
- **10:30 – 12:00 PM** Higher Ground: Best Practices for Floodplain Management
- **12:00 – 12:15 PM** Wrap Up and Adjourn

**\*Please note that refreshment breaks are included in your registration fee.**

**For additional information on this and other programs offered by the Pennsylvania Local Government Training Partnership, visit the PLGTP Web Site at [www.palocalgovtraining.org](http://www.palocalgovtraining.org).**

### ■ **8:00 – 8:30 AM** **Registration**

### ■ **8:30 – 10:30 AM** **“Recent Land Use Court Decisions”**

This session will focus on recent court decisions regarding planning, zoning, and other land use issues. The session will examine the relevant background information on each case, the ruling handed down by the court, and the potential impact on local land use decisions and ordinances.

Among the topics to be discussed by our panel of experienced municipal attorneys will be validity challenges, eminent domain, enforcement actions, and oil and gas drilling.

*Speakers:* **Joan E. London, Esq.,**  
Kozloff Stoudt Attorneys  
**Andrew J. Bellwoar, Esq.,**  
Siana Bellwoar & McAndrew, LLP  
**Michael Crotty, Esq.,**  
Siana Bellwoar & McAndrew, LLP

### ■ **10:30 AM – 12:00 Noon**

#### **Higher Ground: Best Practices for Floodplain Management**

Under the Biggert-Waters National Flood Insurance Reform Act of 2012 flood insurance rates are likely to increase overall to reflect the true flood risk of your home and many insurance discounts will be eliminated. This workshop will provide the tools needed to navigate the ordinance update process successfully and create a floodplain management ordinance that makes their communities as safe as possible from floods. Attendees will get an in-depth understanding of not only the minimum federal and state regulatory requirements for floodplain management, but also of higher regulatory floodplain management standards as well as the PA Suggested Ordinance Provisions and recent changes to the requirements for the Community Rating System. This workshop will explore the pros and cons of higher standards and the need to evaluate their floodplain ordinance – as a working tool – periodically to insure that not only are their communities compliant but also disaster resilient. In addition, participants will use a new computer simulator for flood plain management to test best practices for flood plain development.

*Presented by:* **Nicole Lick, Senior Mitigation Planning Specialist, FEMA Region 3**

### ■ **12:00 Noon** **Wrap-up and Adjourn**

## ***Registration Information***

Register online at [www.albright.edu/localgov](http://www.albright.edu/localgov) or complete the form and return it to the Center for Excellence in Local Government. Registration checks should be made payable to “Albright College” and mailed, along with the registration form, to:

**Center for Excellence in Local Government  
Albright College  
P.O. Box 15234  
Reading, PA 19612**  
**Questions should be directed to (610) 929-6503.  
Registration Deadline: February 18**

Registrations will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. Please try to register at least two weeks prior to the workshop. Because material is shipped to the seminar site before the session, we cannot guarantee that your name will appear on the registration list if you register within three days of the session.

### ***Walk-In Registrations***

Pre-registration is strongly recommended. Walk-ins are accepted on a space-available basis. Please note that there are times when a session is cancelled or rescheduled. Registered attendees will be notified of any schedule changes prior to the session. Call (610) 929-6503. Or visit our website at [www.albright.edu/localgov](http://www.albright.edu/localgov) prior to the session to verify the correct date, time, and location. Substitutions are permitted without notice.

### ***Cancellation/No-Show Policy***

Cancellations must be received in writing or by faxing to 610 921-7278 or sending cancellation to [aweist@alb.edu](mailto:aweist@alb.edu). Refunds will be determined by the date of the fax or email. A cancellation received less than 10 business days of the session you are registered for, is subject to a \$20 processing fee for refunds. Those who cancel within 2 business days of the session date or do not attend, forfeit the full registration fee and if unpaid, will be invoiced.

### ***Accessibility & Other Needs***

This training will be held at an ADA-accessible location. Please use the “accessibility needs” line to indicate alternate format, sign language requirements, or any other needs you might have. If you have questions about the physical access provided, please call (610) 929-6503.

### ***Inclement Weather***

In the event of inclement weather, please verify that the workshop is taking place by calling (610) 929-6503.

SNOW DATE: MARCH 2  
Albright College Campus Center