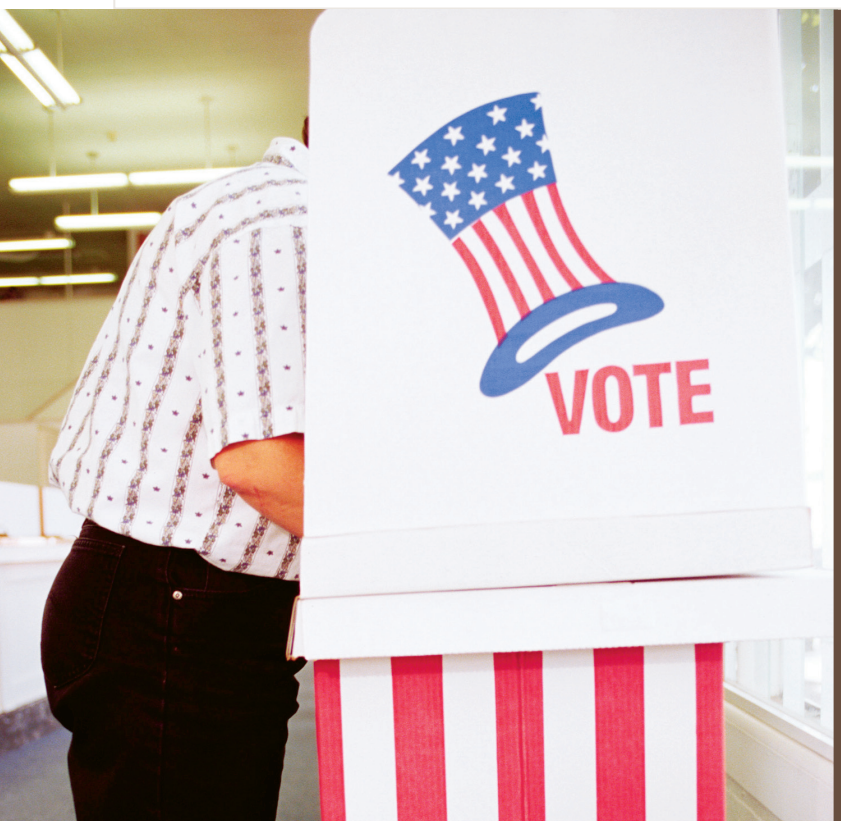


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PROGRAM SCHEDULE

8:00-8:30am REGISTRATION and CHECK-IN
(Continental Breakfast Served)

8:30-8:45am WELCOME and INTRODUCTIONS
Lawrence Jacobs, *Director, Center for the Study of Politics and Governance, Hubert H. Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs*
Mark Ritchie, *Minnesota Secretary of State*

8:45-9:45am OVERVIEW OF ELECTION ADMINISTRATION
Joseph Mansky, *Ramsey County Election Manager*

9:45-10:00am MORNING BREAK

10:00-10:45am OVERVIEW OF THE ELECTIONS ASSISTANCE COMMISSION: THE HELP AMERICA VOTE ACT OF 2002 and ITS APPLICATION TO MINNESOTA
Juliet Hodgkins, *General Counsel, United States Elections Assistance Commission*

10:45-11:45am ELECTIONS LITIGATION: ERRORS and OMISSIONS PROCESS, CAMPAIGN PRACTICES, BALLOT ACCESS, and PROSECUTIONS OF ELECTION LAWS
Alan Weinblatt, *Weinblatt & Gaylord PLC*
Robert M.A. Johnson, *Anoka County Attorney*

11:45-12:00pm BREAK

LUNCHTIME KEYNOTE
PRESERVING AN IMPARTIAL JUDICIARY
Speaker: **Governor Al Quie**, *Chair, Citizens Commission for the Preservation of an Impartial Judiciary*



1:00-1:45pm REDISTRICTING IN 2010 - MINNESOTA'S POTENTIAL LOSS OF A UNITED STATES CONGRESSIONAL SEAT
Tom Gillaspay, *Minnesota State Demographer*

1:45-2:30pm OVERVIEW OF FEDERAL and STATE CAMPAIGN FINANCE LAWS
Jeff Sigurdson, *Assistant Executive Director, Minnesota Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board*

2:30-2:45pm BREAK

2:45-3:30pm BREAK-OUT SESSIONS:
Ethical Considerations for Elections Attorneys
Judge Bruce Willis, *Court of Appeals*
Location: Atrium

Election Administrators
Rachel Smith, *Anoka County Election Manager*
Location: Wilkins Room - 215

3:30-4:30pm WHAT IS ELECTION LEGITIMACY? WHAT ARE THE GREATEST THREATS TO IT?
Panel: **Patrick Diamond**, *Chief Deputy, Hennepin County Attorney's Office*
Representative Ryan Winkler (D), *Minnesota House of Representatives*
Representative Tom Emmer (R), *Minnesota House of Representatives*

CERTIFICATION CREDITS

- Attendees may apply for 6.75 hours of Continuing Legal Education credit
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CONFERENCE FEE

The fee for the conference is \$275.00 payable by credit card, check, or cash. Fee is inclusive of continental breakfast, lunch, and all training materials.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

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PROGRAM PLANNING COMMITTEE

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Joseph Mansky, Ramsey County Elections
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