

*Government Law Center of Albany Law School
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Environmental and Municipal Law Sections*

present

Looking Forward 30 Years



Celebrating the Thirty-year Anniversary of

1973 2003
the Adirondack Park Agency Act and

Examining the Private Land Use and Development Plan

OCTOBER 2 AND 3, 2003

*Hilton Lake Placid Resort
Lake Placid, New York*



Looking Forward 30 Years

This conference will celebrate the 30-year anniversary of the Adirondack Park Land Use and Development Plan. Participants will examine the issues, challenges, and successes related to its implementation over the last 30 years, which will serve as a basis for generating a series of ideas and proposals on how it may be improved in the next 30 years.

INTENDED AUDIENCE

All levels of government organizations, advocacy groups, businesses, practitioners, and interested citizens are welcome and encouraged to attend.

SPECIAL NEEDS INFORMATION

Should you have special needs due to a disability, please contact Albany Law School's Institute of Legal Studies at (518) 445-2310 at least two weeks prior to the course to discuss your requirements.

HILTON LAKE PLACID RESORT

Hilton Lake Placid Resort sits on seven acres in the heart of Lake Placid Village, a small part of the six million acres of mountains, lakes and rivers in Adirondack State Park. The village has hosted the Winter Olympic Games twice, in 1932 and 1980, and continues as the venue for various international sporting events. Directions to the hotel may be found at www.lphilton.com.

ACCOMMODATION INFORMATION

A block of rooms has been reserved for conference participants at a cost of \$86/single and \$96/double per night. To reserve a room, please call the hotel directly at 1-800-755-5598 and mention you are with the "APA Conference." The room block will be released on Thursday, September 4, 2003.

WEB SITES

Government Law Center: www.als.edu/glc/
Hilton Lake Placid Resort: www.lphilton.com



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*Thirty-year Anniversary of the Adirondack Park Agency Act
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Thursday, October 2, 2003

9:00 – 10:00 a m

REGISTRATION

10:00 – 10:15 a m

INTRODUCTION

Charles G. Fox, Esq., *Deputy Secretary to the Governor*

10:15 a m – 12:00 p m

THE BACKGROUND

Adirondack Park Private Land Use Plan

A brief discussion on the law as envisioned with a focused discussion on issues and challenges with implementation and suggestions for improving it for the future.

Moderator: **William H. Kissel, Esq.**, *Member and former Counsel, Adirondack Park Agency*

What Was the Vision?

Participants: **Peter A. A. Berle, Esq.**, *Chairman, The Commission on the Adirondacks in the Twenty-First Century*

Robert C. Glennon, Esq., *former Executive Director and Counsel, Adirondack Park Agency*

Peter S. Paine, Jr., Esq., *former Member, Adirondack Park Agency*

Richard A. Persico, Esq., *former Executive Director, Adirondack Park Agency*

12:15 - 1:30 p m

LUNCH

The Global Environment and the Importance of the Adirondack Park

An inspiring speech by Dr. Charles Canham on why we should care about the “place” for the “grand experiment”. What are the key ecological issues facing the Park? Dr. Canham is a forest ecologist at the Institute of Ecosystems Studies, Millbrook, NY.

1:30 - 3:30 p m

THE BACKGROUND

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A Practitioner's View of the Current Operation of the Plan

Participants: **Bernard Melewski, Esq.**, *Counsel, The Adirondack Council*

Fred Monroe, Esq., *former Counsel, Adirondack Park Local Government Review Board*

Daniel Ruzow, Esq., *Whiteman, Osterman & Hanna*

Daniel Smith, Esq., *Private Practice*

Thomas Ulasewicz, Esq., *Poklemba, Hobbs & Ulasewicz, LLC*



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3:30 - 5:00 pm

PRESENTATIONS

Administrative Obstacles and Internal Inconsistencies in the Adirondack Park Land Use and Development Plan

Short presentations with interaction with panels 1 and 2 and Q & A with audience

Moderator: **Patricia Salkin, Esq.**, *Government Law Center*

Participants: **JURISDICTION**

Rita Quinn and **Richard Terry, Esq.**, *Adirondack Park Agency*

REGULATORY REFORM

James Townsend, Esq., *Adirondack Park Agency*

SHORELINES (cutting, lot size, scope of preexisting single family dwelling privileges)

Speaker TBA

5:00 - 7:00 pm

30TH ANNIVERSARY RECEPTION AND DINNER

Featured Speaker: **Philip Terrie**, Professor of American Culture Studies, Bowling Green State University, and author of *Contested Terrain*, the entertaining and informative 1997 book on the nature and culture of the Park.

CLE CREDIT

Day 1 fulfills the following CLE Requirements for all attorneys:

Areas of Professional Practice: 5.5 credits

ACCREDITATION

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Friday, October 3, 2003

7:00 - 9:00 a m

BREAKFAST

ISSUE MODULES

The implementation of the Adirondack Park Local Land Use Plan 30 years ago certainly has had an impact on the Park. The following sessions will explore the impacts that have occurred and the opportunities that changes may create as we look to the future. The four key areas that have been selected for these exciting panel discussions are: the resource, the economy, development issues, and local land use planning.

9:00 - 10:30 a m

CONCURRENT PANEL DISCUSSIONS

IMPACTS MODULES

Environment: Managing Natural Resources

A look at current issues and future suggestions relating to water quality, open space, shorelines and resource trends and the roles and responsibilities of many players.

Moderator: **Brian Houseal**, *The Adirondack Council*

Panelists: **Barbara Bedford**, *Cornell University*

Don Charles, *Philadelphia Academy of Natural Sciences*

Jerry Jenkins, *Wildlife Conservation Society*

Cornelius B. Murphy, *SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry*

People: Local Community Roles

From communities that have obtained APA approved land use plans to hamlet revitalization strategies to lake and watershed management plans. How to strengthen the “partnership”. A local leaders discussion on community development.

Moderator: **Joseph Rota**, *Adirondack Park Local Government Review Board*

Panelists: **James Ellis**, *Adirondack North Country Association*

William Johnston, *Essex County Planning Department*

Mark Schachner, Esq., *Miller, Mannix, Schachner & Hafner, LLC*

Christopher Westbrook, *Clifton-Fine Economic Development Corporation*

Economy: Sustainable Economic Development Potential

A discussion of the current situation and look toward future opportunities to develop the forest products, industrial, tourism and recreational sectors of the region's economy.

Moderator: **Terry Martino**, *Adirondack North Country Association*

Panelists: **Jeff Allott**, *General Composites*

Maureen Donovan, *Warren County Industrial Development Agency*

Kevin King, *Empire State Forest Products Association*

Neil Woodworth, *Adirondack Mountain Club*

10:30 - 10:45 a m

COFFEE BREAK



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10:45 a m - 12:15 p m

CONCURRENT PANEL DISCUSSIONS

OPPORTUNITIES MODULE—IDEAS AND REGULATORY CHANGES

Environment: The Adirondacks—Where Wildlands and Communities Meet

Opportunities for protecting the environment and how the land use plan can facilitate sound growth of private lands and their interface with State lands.

Moderator: **George Miller**, *Paul Smith's College of Arts and Sciences*

Panelists: **David Gibson**, *Association for the Protection of the Adirondacks*
Joseph Martens, *Open Space Institute*
John Nemjo, *Mountain Man Outfitters*
William Porter, *SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry*

People: Meeting the Residents' Needs

Opportunities to accommodate continuing community growth and keeping an open feel to the area.

Moderator: **George Canon**, *Adirondack Association of Towns and Villages/Town of Newcomb*

Panelists: **James McKenna**, *Lake Placid/Essex County Visitors Bureau*
Zoe Smith, *Wildlife Conservation Society*
Lani Ulrich, *CAP 21*
Keith Zimmerman, *St. Lawrence County Planning*

Economy: Directing Development to "Acceptable Areas"

A discussion of current and future development trends and opportunities and how the Adirondack Park Land Use and Development Plan can facilitate sound future opportunities. The discussion will focus on development along highway and river corridors, impacts of population growth, housing, and transportation and infrastructure needs.

Moderator: **Pieter Litchfield**, *NY Blue Line Council*

Panelists: **Peter Bauer**, *Residents' Committee to Protect the Adirondacks*
Richard Booth, *Cornell University*
Tom Both, *Town of Keene*
Shanna Ratner, *Yellow Wood Associates*
Patricia Tatich, *Warren County Planning*

12:30 p m

LUNCH

Featured Speaker: Governor George E. Pataki

Governor's 30th Anniversary Awards for Contributions to the Adirondack Park

Economy: **John T. Dillon**, *Chairman and CEO, International Paper*

Environment: **Clarence Petty**, *Adirondack conservationist, author and historian*

People: **Honorable Ronald B. Stafford**, *former New York State Senator*

Honored Luncheon Guests: Former Chairmen of the Adirondack Park Agency

Robert F. Flacke
Herman F. "Woody" Cole, Jr.
John R. Collins, Jr.
Gregory B. Campbell
Richard H. Lefebvre
James C. Frenette



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(includes breakfast second day, two lunches, reception, dinner, breaks and materials)

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