



ABOUT THE PROGRAM

Historically, water law has been the province primarily of lawyers and policy makers in the arid western United States. In recent years, however, lawmakers in the eastern and midwestern United States have come to recognize the critical role that water management plays in securing a healthy and vibrant society over the long term.

In recognition of this development, The University of Toledo College of Law and its Legal Institute of the Great Lakes (LIGL) are proud to sponsor this 17th annual conference on national water issues.

The conference this year will address multiple issues that greatly impact the Great Lakes region.

Trump Administration on Water

President Donald Trump took office in January 2017, along with Republican majorities in the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives, promising changes in direction from the era of President Barack Obama. Since then, there have been a number of important federal law and policy changes relevant to our water resources, and more are on the horizon. This panel of experts will offer a range of perspectives on the new administration's actions and plans regarding water and the Great Lakes.

Trudeau Administration on Water

Prime Minister Justin Trudeau and the Liberal Party swept to power in Canada in fall 2015 following nearly a decade of governance by Prime Minister Stephen Harper and the Conservative Party. This panel will highlight recent changes in Canada's water law and policy and the current administration's work regarding the Great Lakes. A representative of Ontario's environmental agency will discuss recent federal and provincial efforts to reduce nutrient pollution and algae in Lake Erie.

Is Lake Erie Impaired?

Should Lake Erie be listed as "impaired" under the Clean Water Act due to excess phosphorus and algae? Michigan said yes as to its portion of the lake. But Ohio said no, and a lawsuit challenging U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's decision agreeing with Ohio is pending. This panel will explore the controversy over listing Lake Erie as impaired, including what that listing really means. Officials from Ohio and Michigan will discuss other efforts being taken by the states to reduce phosphorus loading and harmful algal blooms in Lake Erie.



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FRIDAY, NOV. 3, 2017

8:00 A.M. CHECK-IN FOR CLE REGISTRANTS

8:30 A.M. WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS

8:45 A.M. KEYNOTE SPEAKER
Patricia Morris
Director, Great Lakes Section
International Joint Commission
Windsor, Ontario

9:15 A.M. Panel 1:
TRUMP ADMINISTRATION

Moderator:
Professor Noah Hall
Wayne State University Law School
Detroit, Michigan

Speakers:
Jon Devine
Senior Attorney
Natural Resources Defense Council
Washington, D.C.

Dennis Lee Forsgren, Jr.
Deputy Asst. Administrator, Office of Water
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Washington, D.C.

10:45 A.M. BREAK

11:00 A.M. Panel 2:
TRUDEAU ADMINISTRATION

Moderator:
Professor Martin Olszynski
University of Calgary Faculty of Law
Calgary, Alberta



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4.5 HOURS OF CLE

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COST:

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\$75 for CLE

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Speakers:
Madhu Malhotra
Manager, Strategic Analysis Section
Land & Water Policy Branch
Ontario Ministry of the Environment
Toronto, Ontario

Tony Maas
Director
Forum for Leadership on Water
Kitchener, Ontario

12:30 P.M. LUNCH

1:30 P.M. Panel 3:
IS LAKE ERIE IMPAIRED?

Moderator:
Professor Kenneth Kilbert
University of Toledo College of Law
Toledo, Ohio

Speakers:
Madeline Fleisher
Staff Attorney
Environmental Law & Policy Center
Columbus, Ohio

Karl Gebhardt
Deputy Director for Water Resources
Ohio Environmental Protection Agency
Columbus, Ohio

Kevin Goodwin
Senior Aquatic Biologist
Water Resources Division
Michigan Department of Environmental Quality
Lansing, Michigan

3:00 P.M. CLOSING