Although there are a number of different ways to politically participate, most Americans do so by voting. Questions of voter eligibility and ballot access have thus stirred controversy almost from the earliest days of our republic. Where states endeavored to restrict voting rights, Congress and the Supreme Court have generally reversed the public accountability, while concomitantly ensuring this public accountability, while concomitantly ensuring this public accountability, while concomitantly ensuring this public accountability, while concomitantly ensuring this public accountability, while concomitantly ensuring this public accountability, while concomitantly ensuring this public accountability, while concomitantly ensuring this public accountability, while concomitantly ensuring this public accountability, while concomitantly ensuring this public accountability, while concomitantly ensuring this public accountability, while concomitantly ensuring this public accountability. 

Elections and the administration of elections have garnered increasing attention since 2000. Of particular importance to legislators and the citizenry they represent is administrative access to elections. The course begins with a general overview of the benchmarking process focusing on its general use in the field of public administration. Next, the course covers several appropriate, common benchmarking strategies and methodologies available to elections administrators. Finally, the course explores how elections administrators can apply the aforementioned types of benchmarking to various elections administration issues.
**A Message from Ernie Hawkins**

Election Center Board Chair

I invite you to attend our next Special Workshop.

**Ernie**

If you have questions about the program, the hotel or a limited number of rooms at this rate. They will per diem rate. However, we were only able to secure And, we got a great rate…the federal government door to the John Hancock building, one of the tallest location, right on Michigan Avenue. We are next Chicago is a very exciting city. Our hotel is in a great make life a little easier. You don't want to miss this to effectively deal with all outside forces will surely

**Election Center Board Chair**

A Message from Ernie Hawkins

**Wednesday, April 22**

5-6 Registration Desk

6-7:30 Welcome Reception

**Thursday, April 23**

8-9 Registration Desk

8:20-9:00 Continental Breakfast

9:00-9:30 Welcome/Housekeeping Announcements

9:30-10:00 Campaign Relations/Issues

10:00-10:30 Candidate Services

10:30-11:00 Break

11:00-12:00 Guidelines for Dealing with Political Parties

12:30-1:00 Good Government Relations

1:30-2:30 CERA Board Room

2:00-3:00 Advocacy Group Relations

3:00-3:30 Current Issues with Litigation

**Friday, April 24**

8-9 Registration Desk

8:20-9:00 Continental Breakfast

9:00-9:30 Media Relations 101

9:30-10:30 Break

10:15-12:00 Deals with the Prior Media

11:30-12:30 Television Reporters and Assignment Editors

12:30-2 Noon Lunch

**Saturday, April 25**

10:00-10:30 Course #19 Election Day and the Election Administration of 1965

10:30-12 Course #20 Current Issues with Litigation

12:30-2:30 Lunch

2:30-3:30 Candidate Services

**Sunday, April 26**

1:30-3:30 Course #21

3:45-4:30 Course #22

**IMPORTANT WORKSHOP INFORMATION**

Registration deadlines:

- Hotel: March 31, 2015
- Registration and election office. 2016 is bound to be postmarked, no later than March 31, 2015. Please do send mail that requires a signature. It cannot be accepted.

Classes: March 31, 2015

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