

## **COURSE X. The Law of Elections and Voter Registration**

(1½ days, 9 hours of instruction)

Since voting is a fundamental right of citizenship, knowledge of elections/registration law has always been important for effective elections/registration administrators and their legal representatives. Elections and registration law has changed more since the 1960s than in all previous American history. New laws for the disabled, voting rights, the NVRA, military and overseas voters have made legal knowledge more important than ever at the same time that it has made the law of elections and registration ever more complex. This course will cover the law which election/voter registration administrators and their lawyers need to know, with emphasis upon legal principles which may be frequently used in resolving legal questions on a day-to-day basis. Examples of topics which may be included are:

I. U. S. and State Constitutional Provisions on Voting, Voter Registration and Elections

II. The Right to Vote

III. The Right to Be a Candidate

IV. The Right to Gain Ballot Access

V. The Right to Fair and Effective Representation

VI. Rights Under the Federal Voting Rights Act, the National Voter Registration Act and the Americans with Disabilities Act

VII. Political Rights of Public Officials and Employees