

TRIP TO GUADALAJARA

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FEBRUARY 16-19-03 BASIC PACKAGE

202-466-5424 (Sonja)

REGISTRATION \$375.00
Sooner register the better

HOTEL PACKAGE 825.00
\$300 deposit to hold

AIR FARE OUT OF RAPID CITY 803.00
(Probably use conference travel instead of this)

Estimate

CONFERENCE TRAVEL 1-800-527-4852 (Margaret)

\$300 deposit to hold

Rapid City / Denver/La 384.00
Los Angeles to Guadalajara 395.00

779.00

Meals 5 days @33.00 165.00

TOTAL TRIP BASIC CONFERENCE \$2,528.00

**IMLA/ AMMAC Guadalajara Conference
February 16-19, 2003**

*North American Local Government Lawyers:
Connecting Our Networks*

Sunday, February 16	Tuesday, February 18	Wednesday, February 19
Morning Registration	8:00 am - 10:00 am <i>Work Session IV - Down by the Rivers - Local Governments and Water Rights, Allocations and Protections</i>	8:00 am - 10:00 am <i>Work Session VIII: Roundtable</i>
Evening <i>Welcome and Over- view of IMLA and AMMAC</i>		10:00 am - 10:15 am Coffee Break
Monday, February 17	10:15 am - 10:30 am Coffee Break	10:15 am - 12 Noon <i>Work Session IX: Closing Session - Planning the Next Step</i>
8:00 am - 10:00 am <i>Session I: Overview of the Forms of Government Influenc- ing Local Governance</i>	10:15 am - 12:15 pm <i>Work Session V - Authority and Limitations on Authority to Manage Growth and Protect the Environment.</i>	
10:00 am - 10:15 am Coffee Break		
10:15 am - 12:15 pm <i>Session II: How Do You Do That?: A Look At Specific Issues Under the Various Forms of Government</i>	12:15 pm - 2:00 pm Lunch (Invited Speaker)	
12:15 pm - 1:30 pm Lunch	2:00 pm - 4:00 pm <i>Work Session VI - How to Translate a Municipality's Regulatory Powers into Effective Action</i>	
1:30 pm - 4:30 pm <i>Session III: NAFTA - Understanding the Regulatory Frame- work and its Impact on Local Govern- ments</i>		



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Invitation



José Oscar Vega Marín

The International Municipal Lawyers Association [IMLA] and the Asociación de Municipios de México [AMMAC] cordially invite you to participate in an important international conference to be held February 16 - 19, 2003 in Guadalajara, Mexico. This Conference, entitled *North American Local Government Lawyers: Connecting Our Networks*, will explore the important legal issues facing local governments in Canada, the United States and Mexico. It is an unique opportunity for you, as a lawyer representing local governments in North America, to meet your colleagues and gain an understanding of the legal questions and solutions which are transcending our borders.

Never before has it been more evident that local governments are impacted by and are influencing laws and policies in other jurisdictions, those sharing our borders, and those far away. Many of the topics to be discussed during the Conference are of particular interest to the border communities, such as the Law of the Rio Grande. Meanwhile, other panel discussions are not limited to the physical location of your community, for example all local government lawyers must understand the North American Free Trade Agreement and the ways in which international trade agreements are impacting local government powers. Because one of the primary goals of this Conference is to share experiences and open the lines of communications among our nations' local governments, one of the overarching themes of the panel sessions will be the government structures in each nation and how those structures influence the powers and behaviors of local governments in each jurisdiction.

The Conference will also offer the unique opportunity for local government lawyers to visit the beautiful city of Guadalajara, Mexico's second largest city. Guadalajara is a major metropolitan business center, and it is also a city rich in beauty and its historic heritage. The Home of the Mariachi bands, the City of the Roses, and the "Pearl of the West" are all titles carried by this west-central city in the state of Jalisco. The tourist season is at a peak during the week of the Conference, and the meeting dates also fall over a U.S. federal holiday, so it is important that you make your reservations early!! Spaces are limited!!

IMLA is a non-profit, professional organization based in Washington, D.C. that has been an advocate and valuable legal resource for local government attorneys since 1935. AMMAC was founded in 1994 and is the leading organization as reforms and new federal policies are fostering the development of strong local governments in Mexico. Together, we look forward to welcoming you to Guadalajara, Mexico!

Sincerely,

Garry E. Hunter

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Chair, International Committee
IMLA

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AMMAC