

## **Preservation in Practice: A Primer for Historic Preservation Commissions**

This one-day workshop is open to all preservationists, but it is specifically geared toward those serving on a local commission. This program is designed to benefit both new and experienced commission members and will also be relevant for planning and zoning board members and elected officials. The course provides an in-depth examination of current topics and issues relevant to integrating preservation into community planning and zoning. Focus will be on legal parameters for implementing a commission, conducting an effective public meeting, and understanding and implementing tools to foster good preservation at the local level.

**Instructors:** Janine Baur, Esq., Jonathan Kinney, NJ State Historic Preservation Office, and Barton Ross, RA

**Date:** March 9, 2019

**Time:** 8:30AM registration; program concludes by 4pm

**Location:** TBD

**Cost:** \$75

**Credits:** .7 CEUs

### **AGENDA**

8:30AM Registration & coffee

9-11AM Legal Aspects to Local Preservation

Janine G. Baur, Esq., Partner, Szaferman, Lakind, Blumstein, & Blader, P.C. Through discussion of relevant case law, Ms. Baur will provide the legal structure for how historic preservation commissions exist within the local municipal land use law, how HPC's interact with other municipal regulatory boards, and their relationship to the town governance. She will discuss the differences between advisory and strong commissions and how the process of regulating historic properties should be implemented in each instance.

11:15AM – 12:15PM Fostering a Preservation Ethic in your Community

Oftentimes, the success of a local commission hinges directly on how well respected they are and if the public understands the value of their work. Jonathan Kinney will lead a discussion in how to cultivate and foster a “preservation friendly” atmosphere in the community. Using case studies, participants will hear from others in how perceptions have been successfully changed.

12:15 – 1:15PM Lunch

1:15 – 2:15PM Making Good Decisions

Evaluating appropriate building materials can be confusing and pose challenges for commission members. Barton Ross, RA, AICP, LEED AP will lead a discussion on the various substitute materials commonly found on the market (siding, roofing, fencing, doors, etc.) within the context of meeting the Secretary of the Interior's Standards (<https://www.nps.gov/tps/standards.htm>) and maintaining consistency with design guidelines.

2:30 – 3:30PM What Every Commission Member Needs to Know

Jonathan Kinney will introduce Commission members to the many resources, organizations and websites available to assist commission members in setting up and implementing community-based preservation programs.