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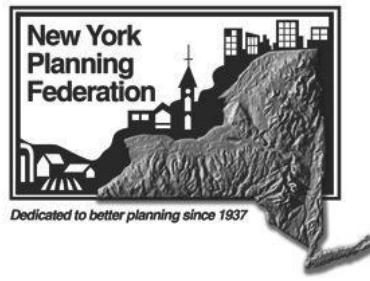


# 2017 Planning and Zoning School Agenda

## Town of Cortland (Cortland County) Friday, July 28, 2017

Ramada Cortland Hotel and Conference Center  
2 River St, Cortland, NY 13045

8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	<b>Registration &amp; Continental Breakfast</b>
9:00 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.	<b>Welcome and Introductions</b>
9:15 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	<b>Sign Regulation, Part 1</b> <i>Sarah Brancatella, Esq. – Association of Towns of the State of New York</i> This course reviews the increasingly complicated landscape of sign regulation in two parts. In the first part, typical sign regulation provisions and considerations are discussed and broken down to give a sense of what a comprehensive sign law looks like.
10:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.	<b>Break</b>
10:45 a.m. – 12:00 noon	<b>Sign Regulation, Part 2</b> <i>Sarah Brancatella, Esq. – Association of Towns of the State of New York</i> Part 2 focuses on constitutional concerns & the legal landscape of sign regulation.
12:00 noon – 1:00 p.m.	<b>LUNCH</b>
1:00 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.	<b>Case Law Update</b> <i>Robert Rosborough, Esq. – Whiteman Osterman &amp; Hanna LLP</i> An experienced land use attorney will discuss recent legal cases and new legislation that impact planning and zoning matters in New York State.
2:15 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.	<b>Break</b>
2:30 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.	<b>Short-Term Rental Zoning, Planning and Enforcement Issues</b> <i>Brody Smith, Esq. – Bond Schoeneck &amp; King, LLP</i> Websites like AirBnB and VRBO have made it easy for an individual to rent his or her home to transient occupants for short periods of time. Municipalities must now address whether their existing zoning laws adequately regulate this activity, what provisions need to be included in a new short-term rental law, how to gather evidence sufficient to prove that a violation has occurred and what legal options are available to enforce these laws.



# 2016 Planning and Zoning School Agenda

## Town of Sheldon (Wyoming County)

### Monday, July 31, 2017

Byrncliff Resort & Banquets  
2357 Humphrey Rd, Varysburg, NY 14167

<b>8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Registration &amp; Continental Breakfast</b>
<b>9:00 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.</b>	<b>Welcome and Introductions</b>
<b>9:15 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.</b>	<p><b>Planning and Zoning Primer</b>  <i>Donald Young, Attorney – Boyland Code</i></p> <p>What exactly is “spot zoning?” How does a property become “grandfathered?” What does our comprehensive plan do? This course will explore the key elements of planning and zoning in New York, including comprehensive plans, zoning districts and buzz words like “precedent,” “grandfathering” and “spot zoning.” We’ll also look at the duties of the planning board and zoning board of appeals. This planning and zoning overview will be beneficial to town board members, planning board members and zoning board of appeals members alike.</p>
<b>10:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.</b>	<b>Break</b>
<b>10:45 a.m. – 12:00 noon</b>	<p><b>State Environmental Quality Review Act</b>  <i>Charles Grieco, Esq. – Bond, Schoeneck &amp; King</i></p> <p>This session will cover some basic SEQRA elements, Environmental Assessment Form mapping and guidebooks, and the proposed amendments to existing SEQRA regulations.</p>
<b>12:00 noon – 1:00 p.m.</b>	<b>LUNCH</b>
<b>1:00 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.</b>	<p><b>The Substance and Procedure of Interpreting Zoning Provisions</b>  <i>Corey Auerbach, Esq. – Damon Morey, LLP</i></p> <p>This course will: review the statutory authority and procedure for the ZBA to review determinations of the administrative official charged with the enforcement of the zoning law; detail applicable standards; and discuss statutory construction. The facts and procedural history of a recently reported case will serve as an example, demonstrating the progression of an interpretation appeal from initial application to the ZBA through final adjudication by state court.</p>
<b>2:15 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Break</b>
<b>2:30 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.</b>	<p><b>Ethics for Planning and Zoning Boards</b>  <i>Sarah Brancatella, Esq. – Association of Towns of the State of New York</i></p> <p>Your neighbor needs a variance and you’re on the ZBA, can you review their application? Is the planning board secretary allowed to sell property to the town? Can a planning board member also act as the bookkeeper? This course will review what the law says about ethics and public officials; discuss tools towns can use to address ethics issues; and explain how to analyze situations to ensure compliance with the law.</p>



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## 2017 Planning and Zoning School Agenda

### Town of Poughkeepsie (Dutchess County) Monday, August 7, 2017

Locust Grove  
2683 South Rd, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601

8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	Registration & Continental Breakfast
9:00 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.	Welcome and Introductions
9:15 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	<b>Ethical Considerations in Zoning and Planning Decision Making</b> <i>Mark Schachner, Esq. – Miller, Mannix, Schachner and Hafner, LLC</i> An interactive discussion of the legal and ethical issues involved in the decision-making process of planning boards and zoning boards of appeals.
10:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.	Break
10:45 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	<b>SEQRA</b> <i>Nina Peek, AICP</i> <i>Ashley Ley, AICP</i> <i>Peter Feroe, AICP – AKRF, Inc</i> This session will cover some basic SEQRA elements, Environmental Assessment Form mapping and guidebooks, and the proposed amendments to existing SEQRA regulations.
12:00 noon – 1:00 p.m.	LUNCH
1:00 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.	<b>Round Table Discussion, Questions and Answers</b> <i>Mike Welti, AICP – Barton &amp; Loguidice, PC</i> <i>Judith Breselor AICP, Executive Director NYPF</i> An experienced planner and municipal consultant will lead a discussion of issues related to land use and provide insight on your questions.
2:15 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.	Break
2:30 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.	<b>The Planning Board and Its Function</b> <i>Frank Fish, FAICP – BFJ Planning, Inc</i> Course description pending.