

**2025 GLS Winter Educational Seminar
City of Troy Community Center
February 21, 2025**

***The Balancing Act: Substantive and
Practical Tips for Governmental Lawyers***

- 8:30 am** **Registration and Check-In**
Continental Breakfast by Crank's
- 8:55 am** **Welcome & Introduction**
Christopher Forsyth, GLS Section Chair
- 9:00 am** **Leading from the Trenches**
Justice Conrad Mallett, Jr., Corporation Counsel, City of Detroit
- 10:15 am** **Networking Break**
- 10:30 am** **Let the Sun Shine (FOIA, OMA)**
Kathryn Levasseur-Cousin, Assistant Corporation Counsel, Wayne County
- 11:00 am** **Zoning, Land Use, and the Courts in 2024**
*Gerald Fisher, Local Government Consultant & Emeritus Professor of Law
Christopher Forsyth, Grand Traverse County Deputy County Administrator*
- 11:30 am** **Labor & Employment Speed Dating**
Chad Karsten, Fahey Schultz Burzych Rhodes PLC
- 12:00 pm** **Luncheon by Crank's**
- 1:00pm** **Professionalism and Wellbeing: You Need Both**
*Caroline Giordano, Miller Canfield
Joan Vestrand, Cooley Law School
Tim Lessing, Lessing Legal
Molly Ranns, Lawyers and Judges Assistance Program Director*
- 2:15 pm** **Networking Break**
- 2:30 pm** **Is Michigan Still High on Marijuana?**
Panel Discussion Moderated by Clyde Robinson
- 3:45 pm** **Solving All the Section's Problems – A Rousing Round Table**
*DeYana Hill, Assistant Corporation Counsel, City of Detroit
Matthew Zalewski, Shareholder, Rosati, Schultz, Joppich, Amtsbuechler
Lori Grigg Bluhm, City Attorney, City of Troy*
- 4:30 pm** **Adjournment to Happy Hour**
- 5:00 pm** **GLS Council Meeting** *All are welcome!*

Mark Your Calendars Now!!!