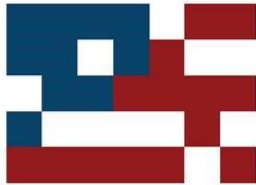




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October 24, 2019 Thursday	
1:30-6 p.m. <i>Governor's Foyer</i>	Registration
2:30-4:30 p.m.	Optional: Vendor Rooms Open Software vendors will be available now, and throughout the meeting, to talk with attendees about their technology needs for the 2020 cycle. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Esri (www.esri.com, Richard Leadbeater, RLeadbeater@esri.com) • Maptitude from Caliper Corporation (www.redistricting.com, Tracy Horgan, sales@caliper.com) • Citygate GIS (www.citygategis.com, Fred Hejazi, fhejazi@citygategis.com) • Zillioninfo (www.zillioninfo.com, Ella Li, ella.li@zillioninfo.com)
4:30-5:30 p.m. <i>Congressional</i>	Optional: A Demographer Looks Ahead Redistricting is driven by shifts in the nation's population. Hear from an expert on how America has (and will) change, demographically speaking. Speaker: D'Vera Cohn, Pew Research Center, Washington, D.C.
5:30-7 p.m.	Reception at the Ohio Statehouse
	Dinner on Your Own

October 25, 2019 Friday Law Day	
6:45-7:30 a.m.	<p>Optional Run Meet in the lobby of the Sheraton and see some of downtown Columbus at an easy jog pace.</p>
7 a.m.- 3 p.m. <i>Governor's Foyer</i>	<p>Registration</p>
7:30 - 8:30 a.m. <i>Congressional</i>	<p>Breakfast at the hotel</p>
8:30 - 9 a.m. <i>Governor's Ballroom</i>	<p>Welcome and Introductions Speaker: Senator Adam Morfeld, Nebraska Speaker: Representative Laura Lanese, Ohio</p>
9:15 - 10:15 a.m.	<p>Option A: Let's Start from the Very Beginning If you are new to redistricting, start here and learn a little bit about everything. <i>Governor's Ballroom</i> Speaker: Jeff Greenfield, legislative process manager, Connecticut Speaker: Alexis Stangl, Senate counsel, Minnesota</p> <hr/> <p>Option B: Preparing Your Database There's more to preparing redistricting data than waiting for the Census Bureau to send your state a file. Find out what other data sources might be helpful and how your state can integrate them. <i>Legislative</i> Speaker: Karin MacDonald, University of California Berkeley, California Speaker: Michael Vatter, information systems director, Michigan</p>
10:15 - 10:30 a.m.	<p>Break</p>
10:30 - 11:30 a.m. <i>Governor's Ballroom</i>	<p>Left, Right and Center: Where Are We Now, Legally Speaking? It's the 10th year of this decade, and the litigation beat goes on. Hear people on the political left, right and center discuss the key rulings that all redistricters must keep in mind as we enter the next decade. Moderator: Paula Benson, Senate staff counsel, South Carolina Speaker: Jason Torchinsky, Holtzman Vogel Josefiak Torchinsky PLLC, Washington, D.C. Speaker: Alora Thomas-Lundborg, American Civil Liberties Union, Washington, D.C.</p>
11:30 a.m. – noon <i>Governor's Ballroom</i>	<p>Communication 101 NCSL's Mick Bullock, director of public affairs, will share insights into communicating about politically fraught topics, such as redistricting. Speaker: Mick Bullock, NCSL, Washington, D.C.</p>

<p>Noon - 1:15 p.m. <i>Congressional</i></p>	<p>Lunch and Learn: Ohio’s Bipartisan Processes</p> <p>Learn from Ohio’s legislative leaders how the Buckeye State negotiated two new processes this decade (one for congressional maps and the other for legislative maps). Both times, both parties played a big role—and they will both have big roles in 2021 as well.</p> <p>Moderator: Karen Garrett, Office of Legal Services, Tennessee Speaker: Senate President Larry Obhof, Ohio Speaker: Senate Minority Leader Kenneth Yuko, Ohio</p>
<p>1:15 - 1:30 p.m.</p>	<p>Break</p>
<p>1:30 - 2:30 p.m. <i>Governor’s Ballroom</i></p>	<p>Redistricting Principles and Criteria: What Are They and How Do They Interact</p> <p>Compactness, contiguity, communities of interest, competitiveness—learn what these and other redistricting principles require. They don’t operate in a vacuum, so we’ll see how they interact with each other and how they can be measured.</p> <p>Moderator: Meg Lamb, Division of Legislative Services, Virginia Speaker: Peter Wattson, consultant, Minnesota Speaker: Amariah “Amy” Becker, Tufts University, Massachusetts</p>
<p>2:30 - 2:45 p.m.</p>	<p>Break</p>
<p>2:45 - 3:45 p.m. <i>Governor’s Ballroom</i></p>	<p>Legislative Privilege and Litigation</p> <p>Everyone needs to know: What are the rules and procedures relating to redistricting negotiations? What materials are likely to be “discovered” in post-redistricting lawsuits? What procedures are recommended for retaining documents and documenting processes? Note that federal and state guidelines differ.</p> <p>Moderator: Senator Matt Huffman, Ohio Speaker: Steven Ogle, general counsel, Texas Speaker: Senator Shenna Bellows, Maine Speaker: Representative Joseph Fischer, Kentucky</p>
<p>3:45 - 4 p.m.</p>	<p>BREAK</p>
<p>4 - 4:30 p.m. <i>Governor’s Ballroom</i></p>	<p>Is Your Plan Defensible?</p> <p>New redistricting plans are likely to face legal challenges—so plan ahead. Learn what you can do to ensure your plan stands up in court.</p> <p>Speaker: Jeffrey Wice, special counsel, New York State Assembly Speaker: Frank Strigari, chief legal counsel, Ohio Senate</p>

October 25, 2019 Friday Law Day Continued	
4:30 - 5:30 p.m.	<p>Option A: Republicans – a Strategy Session</p> <p><i>Legislative</i></p> <p>This is an ancillary session run by Republicans, for Republicans. For more information, contact Clark Bensen (clark@polidata.org)</p> <hr/> <p>Option B: Democrats – a Strategy Session</p> <p><i>Executive</i></p> <p>This is an ancillary session run by Democrats, for Democrats. For more information, contact Jeff Wice (jmvice@gmail.com).</p> <hr/> <p>Option C: Staff Talk Tech</p> <p><i>Governor’s Ballroom</i></p> <p>Hear from experienced staff about how to create an RFP for redistricting software, set up a redistricting shop and provide members with advance information so they are ready when the data arrives.</p> <p>Moderator: Emily Wendel, attorney, Ohio Speaker: Amanda King, senior research analyst, Colorado Speaker: Mark Stratton, Office of Census Data, Indiana Speaker: Alexis Stangl, Senate counsel, Minnesota</p>
	Dinner on Your Own

October 26, 2019 Saturday Tech Day	
7 - 7:45 a.m.	Optional Yoga
7:30 - 8:30 a.m. <i>Congressional</i>	Breakfast at the hotel
8:30 - 8:45 a.m. <i>Governor’s Ballroom</i>	<p>Welcome Back</p> <p>Thoughts, questions and takeaways from the first day are encouraged.</p>
8:45 - 9:15 a.m. <i>Governor’s Ballroom</i>	<p>What to Look for When Looking for Software</p> <p>Do you need a soup-to-nuts service provider who builds your database and produces your maps, or will your own staff play the primary role? How will software integrate with your state-specific needs, such as your principles, and what kinds of maps you’ll need?</p> <p>Speaker: Glenn Koepp, secretary of the Senate, Louisiana</p>

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<p>9:15 - 10:45 a.m. <i>Governor's Ballroom</i></p>	<p>The Vendors Speak</p> <p>Those in the redistricting marketplace will demonstrate a couple of key features of their software and answer your questions.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Esri – Richard Leadbeater• Citygate GIS – Fred Hejazi• Maptitude from Caliper Coporation – Tracy Horgan and Howard Slavin• ZilliionInfo – Ella Li <p>Moderator: Kim Brace, Election Data Services, Virginia</p>
<p>10:45 a.m.- 5 p.m.</p>	<p>Visits with Vendors</p> <p>Make an appointment or stop by to talk with vendors about how their products match up with your state's requirements.</p>
<p>10:45 - 11 a.m.</p>	<p>Break</p>
<p>11 - 11:15 a.m. <i>Governor's Ballroom</i></p>	<p>Public Software</p> <p>Some states will have official processes for the public to create and submit maps. And yet, publicly available software can be used by anyone in any state. Learn what is likely to be available.</p> <p>Speaker: Moon Duchin, Tufts University, Massachusetts</p>
<p>11:15 - 11:25 a.m. <i>Governor's Ballroom</i></p>	<p>Census Outreach</p> <p>While the federal government is wholly responsible for paying for and conducting the decennial census, many states are spending money or at least lending a hand on census outreach.</p> <p>Speaker: Karen Narasaki, Bauman Foundation, Washington, D.C.</p>
<p>11:30 - 12:15 p.m.</p>	<p>The Census Itself:</p> <p>Option A: Census Fundamentals (for beginners)</p> <p><i>Legislative</i></p> <p>If you don't know what a P.L. 94-171 file is, this session is for you.</p> <p>Speaker: Thomas Morton, U.S. Census Bureau, Washington, D.C.</p> <hr/> <p>Option B: The Census (for experienced census users)</p> <p><i>Executive</i></p> <p>Differential privacy, the latest on citizenship data and residency rules, oh my! Come with questions for Census Bureau staff.</p> <p>Speaker: James Whitehorne, U.S. Census Bureau, Washington, D.C.</p>
<p>12:15 - 1:45 p.m.</p>	<p>Lunch on Your Own</p>

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1:45 - 2:30 p.m. <i>Congressional</i>	Veterans Talk Through Drawing a Map Two experienced redistricters will show you how they approach drawing maps: where they start, what matters most, when the last pieces fall into place and how they know they've done a fine job. Speaker: Paul Mitchell, Political Data Inc., California Speaker: Chandra Sharma, Chandra Sharma Consulting, California
2:30 - 2:45 p.m. <i>Congressional</i>	Simulation Preparation For those who want to try their hand at redistricting, this quarter-hour will set up the operation. Speaker: Jason Bane, legislative counsel, Texas
2:45 - 3:15 p.m.	Break
3:15 - 5:30 p.m.	Option A: Simulation: Redistricting Dallas County <i>Legislative/Executive</i> Try your hand at redistricting. With software and data from Texas, teams will divvy up Dallas County into 14 legislative seats. <hr/> Option B: The History of Redistricting, and How to Communicate With the Public About It <i>Judicial</i> 3:15 – 4:15 p.m.: Sit back, relax, and hear the storied history of redistricting, aka the “political thicket.” 4:15 – 5:30 p.m.: Learn about the emerging field of public input, as well as how to effectively communicate key redistricting information to newly elected legislators as well as the public. Moderator: Emily Wendel, attorney, Ohio Speaker: David Stebenne, Professor of History and Law, The Ohio State University Speaker: Jerry Howe, managing policy analyst, Utah Speaker: Joe Kolman, legislative environment analyst, Montana Speaker: George Angelone, Legislative Services Agency, Indiana
5:30 - 7 p.m. <i>Congressional</i>	Reception at Hotel Remarks by Ohio Secretary of State Frank LaRose.
	Dinner on Your Own

October 27, 2019 | Sunday

7 - 8 a.m.	Optional Run/Walk Meet in the lobby and make your choice: a walk or a run. We'll be prepared to lead both.
7:45 - 8:45 a.m. <i>Congressional</i>	Breakfast at the Hotel
8:45 - 9 a.m. <i>Governor's Ballroom</i>	Welcome Back
9 – 10 a.m. <i>Governor's Ballroom</i>	Simulation Wrap-Up Saturday's teams will show their maps and discuss their process. Experienced redistricters will comment. Speaker: Clark Bensen, Polidata, Virginia Speaker: Jason Bane, legislative counsel, Texas Speaker: Jeffrey Wice, special counsel, New York State Assembly Speaker: Amanda King, senior research analyst, Colorado
10 - 10:15 a.m.	Break
10:15 - 11:30 a.m. <i>Governor's Ballroom</i>	Odds and Ends So many important topics, and so little time! We'll quickly address: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cybersecurity as it relates to redistricting.• The hand-off of lines from redistricters to election administrators.• The recent North Carolina case, <i>Common Cause v. Lewis</i>, including a run-down on "free and equal" clauses in state constitutions. Moderator: Senator Adam Morfeld, Nebraska Speaker: Matt Masterson, Department of Homeland Security, Washington, D.C. Speaker: Meagan Wolfe, Wisconsin Elections Commission, Wisconsin Speaker: Robert Tucker, Baker Hostetler, Ohio
11:30 a.m. – noon <i>Governor's Ballroom</i>	Ask us Anything (and Closing) We'll bring back some our faculty to field questions gathered throughout the seminar. Ask them anything.