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Reynolds Alumni Center, University of Missouri - Columbia

AGENDA

8:30 a.m. REGISTRATION STARTS

9:30 a.m. WELCOME – Brian Dabson, *Associate Dean and Director*, Institute of Public Policy, Harry S Truman School of Public Affairs

9:45 a.m. KEYNOTE ADDRESS - "Fighting Policy Turf Battles or Finding Common Ground? Some Thoughts about the State/Local Government Relationship." - Reginald Robinson, *Director*, School of Public Affairs and Administration, University of Kansas

10:50 a.m. WATER REGULATIONS: GETTING EVERYONE ON BOARD

Everyone recognizes the importance of clean water. New technologies provide the opportunity for even cleaner water, however are we reaching a point of diminishing returns? Traditionally water standards imposed a universal criteria however now new watershed research allows standards to be tailored to meet the needs of a given region's unique ecology. Holistic approaches to not only the watershed but to the overall natural resources may allow local funds to be spent where needed most. This panel discussion will focus on how the national goal of clean water may be met through more flexible standards, better stakeholder involvement, creativity, and a more open dialogue at the various governmental levels.

PANELISTS: **Jeffery Robichaud**, *Deputy Director*, Water, Wetlands, and Pesticides Division, US Environmental Protection Agency; **Sarah Parker Pauley**, *Director*, Missouri Department of Natural Resources; **Stephen Meyer**, *Director of Environmental Services*, City of Springfield and *President*, Missouri Association of Clean Water Agencies

MODERATOR: **Wally Siewert**, *Director*, Center for Ethics in Public Life, University of Missouri - St. Louis

Noon LUNCH - ADDRESS: Chris Kelly, *former State Representative*

1 p.m. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: CAN STATE POLICIES HELP RURAL MUNICIPALITIES?

The economic health of Missourians is a priority concern and economic development is an activity that requires effective cooperation between local and state government and federal agencies. What have we learned from the experience of recruiting, retaining, and growing businesses in Missouri that can improve local, state, and federal cooperation for economic development? Many policies and programs intended to stimulate and support economic development appear to be better suited to metropolitan regions while there are fewer resources that can address the particular challenges of rural counties and communities in the state. What can be done through collaboration to help Missouri's rural regions make their contribution to the overall prosperity of the state?

PANELISTS: *The Honorable Caleb Rowden, Representative, Missouri House of Representatives and Chair, Economic Development, Business Attraction and Retention Committee; Becky Cleveland, Executive Director, Brookfield Industrial Development Authority; Greg Batson, Program Support Director, USDA Rural Development; Felicity Ray, Executive Director, Ozark Foothills Regional Planning Commission*

MODERATOR: Brian Dabson

2:20 p.m. POLICE REVIEW BOARDS: BRIDGING THE DIVIDE BETWEEN STATE AND LOCAL COMMUNITIES

In response to events locally and nationwide the question of civilian oversight of law enforcement has gained much recent attention in Missouri. Proposals to address the issue vary greatly: from direct state level oversight to entirely local Civilian Review Boards, and everything in between. Given the state's established role in providing standards for law enforcement, and given the adaptability and constituent accountability that local control offers, what role should or shouldn't the state play? How do local and state agencies and lawmakers insure a good working relationship? What kinds of issues have caused inter-governmental strife in the past, and how can we avoid these issues in the future?

PANELISTS: *The Honorable Rochelle Walton-Gray, Representative, Missouri House of Representatives, Bob McDavid, Mayor, Columbia; Dan Isom, Former Director, Missouri Division of Public Safety, and former Police Chief, City of St. Louis; Karen Ullery-Williams, Senior Legal Analyst, Office of Community Complaints, Kansas City and Secretary, National Association for Civilian Oversight of Law Enforcement*

MODERATOR: Wally Siewert

3:40 p.m. CONCLUDING COMMENTS
Brian Dabson and Wally Siewert

4:00 P.M. CONFERENCE ADJOURNS