Uniform Law Commission
Annual Meeting

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Register on the ULC website:


The online process allows you to register for the meeting and sign up for tours and events. You can pay by credit card or request an invoice. Registering online offers many advantages: secure credit card transactions, quick response for first-come, first-served events, immediate confirmation and reduced paper use. In our efforts to reduce costs and paper waste, we are offering a $25 discount to commissioners who opt out of the paper binder this year.

We are using a new registration system this year. Please make sure to read through the steps on the main registration page thoroughly and/or reference the brightly colored flier included in your hard copy materials.

http://www.uniformlaws.org/events/annualmeeting

• If for any reason you are unable to register online or have questions, please contact Rachel Hewitt in the Chicago office at rhewitt@uniformlaws.org or (312) 450-6611.

• If your spouse or partner is handling the registration, they must use your login information.

• CANCELLATIONS OR ADDITIONS: If you need to cancel or add any optional events at a later date, please contact Rachel Hewitt using the contact information to determine availability of a refund.
Travel and Transportation

A one-way taxi fare from Ted Stevens Anchorage International Airport is approximately $20 and it takes about 15 minutes to get to downtown Anchorage.

http://www.dot.state.ak.us/anc/

The Municipality of Anchorage People Mover Bus stops every 30 minutes at various Airport locations from approximately 6:00 a.m. until 11:00 p.m.

http://www.muni.org/departments/transit/peoplemover/Pages/default.aspx

Rental cars are available from most major rental companies via the Ted Stevens Anchorage International Airport. You should reserve early to guarantee availability.

http://www.dot.state.ak.us/anc/travelerInfo/rentalCars.shtml

Hotel Daily Parking Rates:
Hilton: $24          Captain Cook: $30
Marriott: $30       Voyager: $10
The ULC group rate will be available until June 16th, 2019 or until the room block is full.
The first day of session is Friday, July 12, 2019.

Due to the early opening of hotel reservations, the Hilton is likely the only hotel with rooms available at this time.

This modern downtown hotel is approximately a 7-minute walk from the convention center. The hotel offers a pool, fitness center, full service restaurant serving breakfast and lunch daily, and a lounge open 4 p.m. – 12 a.m. daily. Guest room renovations and updates to public spaces will be completed by early 2019

**Room types are available on a first-come, first-served basis starting at $229.**

Please book online at:


Those with questions or specific requests should contact our Group Room Coordinator, Tatiana Marin directly:

Phone: 907-265-7163 E-Mail: Tatiana.marin@hilton.com

If you have ADA needs and have not made a reservation, please contact Leang Sou at 312-450-6606 or lsou@uniformlaws.org
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The Marriott is the closest property to the convention center (approximately a 3-minute walk) and offers great views of downtown Anchorage and the mountains. The Marriott features a fitness center and swimming pool. The hotel offers a full-service restaurant and lounge, and a daily breakfast buffet is available.


**Due to the early opening of hotel reservations, the Marriott is sold out of available rooms at this time. Please make a reservation at the Hilton.**

Those with questions about an existing reservation should contact our Group Room Coordinator, Janet Souhala, directly:

Phone: 907-792-2110       E-Mail: grouphousing36@marriottsales.com

If you have ADA needs and have not made a reservation, please contact Leang Sou at 312-450-6606 or lsou@uniformlaws.org
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Due to the early opening of hotel reservations, the Captain Cook and Voyager Inn are sold out of available rooms at this time. Please make a reservation at the Hilton.

Captain Cook
The Captain Cook features: four distinctive restaurants including the renowned Crow’s Nest; a full service athletic club with a variety of class options throughout the week, a swimming pool, sauna and other high-end amenities.

http://captaincook.com/

Voyager Inn
The rooms at the Voyager Inn are the most affordable and all rooms offer kitchenettes. Guests also enjoy complimentary full hot breakfast, evening manager’s reception, WiFi, and access to the Athletic Clubs at the neighboring Hotel Captain Cook which are included in the room rate. We recommend this hotel to those who plan to bring their families.

http://thevoyagerinn.com/

Those with questions about an existing reservation should contact our Group Room Coordinator, Rachel Hunter directly:

Phone: 907-276-6000 ext. 3128    E-Mail: Rachel.hunter@captaincook.com

If you have ADA needs and have not made a reservation, please contact Leang Sou at 312-450-6606 or lsou@uniformlaws.org
DRAFTS:
The ULC will notify all participants by e-mail as drafts are posted on the ULC website for downloading.

Drafts will be distributed in hard copy as usual at the Annual Meeting, but in order to reduce costs and paper waste, we are encouraging commissioners to “go green” by opting out of the paper binder in favor of USB drive and/or mobile meeting app options.

Commissioners:
This year if you opt not to receive a paper binder, you will receive a $25 discount on your meeting registration! Please make sure to select the e-binder option when you register.

Internet access will be available on a complimentary basis in the sleeping rooms at all conference hotels and meeting spaces including the ballroom.
The digital motions form can be accessed from any browser or device. Users will receive an email receipt of their submission if they provide an email address on the form. Submissions will be automatically generated for the motions desk to project on the screen, reducing the typing time needed to prepare motions.

Motions Desk Link: www.uniformlaws.org/motion.aspx

Mobile Meeting App

We will continue to feature the draft binder and meeting documents via the mobile meeting application. We hope to continue to make it easier for commissioners and attendees who elect to forgo the hard copy drafts and rely instead on the app.

To install the app on your device, search for “ULC” in your mobile device’s app store. For assistance, contact Greg Young at gyoung@uniformlaws.org or 312-450-6605

2019 Mobile App Highlights:

- Real-time notifications
- Documents - You will be able to access documents immediately after logging in to ensure quick access to meeting materials.
- Maps - Access hotel diagrams, the ballroom seating chart, and maps to key off-site locations.
- Schedule - You will be able to export your schedule from the app to your device.

Please note the app will not be available until July.
Tour & Event Information

The following pages contain day-by-day schedules and descriptions of social events and tours. Sign up/RSVP for these events when you register for the meeting at www.uniformlaws.org.

- Optional events/tours that are not included in your meeting registration fee and which require additional payment are noted with a ☆. Take note of fitness requirements and attire suggestions for individual tours. You may wish to pack a snack on tours where lunch is not provided.

- Space is limited on all tours and will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis. Registering online will provide you with a quicker response time!

- Tours and off-site events that include transportation will depart from the Dena’ina Center.

- If your children will be attending any of the events, make sure to register them so that our records are accurate and adequate seating is available. Pre-registration is required for the children’s event this year. On-site registration will not be available.

- All events are subject to change and cancellation. Start and end times are estimates. Please check with the registration desk at the Annual Meeting or check the mobile meeting application for exact event times.

- Dress is casual for all events unless otherwise specified. Please wear comfortable walking shoes and weather appropriate attire on all tours.

- Summer is a popular time for tourism in Anchorage. Making advance reservations is recommended for larger groups such as delegation dinners.
Friday, July 12th

**Opening Session**  
9:00 am • Tikahtnu Ballroom AB  
Cost: $0 (included in registration fee)

All spouses and guests are invited to attend the Opening Session of the Annual Meeting. Anita Ramasastry, President of the Uniform Law Commission, will address the meeting attendees. Additional guest speakers will also address the group during the opening session.

Recommended dress: business attire for the Friday morning and Wednesday afternoon sessions, and business casual for all other sessions.

**Children’s Event**  
10:30 am - 2:30 pm • Tubughnenq 5  
Cost: $0 (included in registration fee)

Children will spend time with their ULC friends and enjoy a delicious lunch. They will also have the opportunity to meet Anchorage’s famous reindeer, Star!

PLEASE NOTE: BECAUSE OF CHILD-CARE REQUIREMENTS, ADVANCE REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED.  
ON-SITE REGISTRATION WILL NOT BE AN OPTION.

**Speaker Presentation**  
**Presenter: Willie Hensley**  
**Today’s Topic: Native Corporations**  
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm • Kahtnu 2  
Cost: $0 (included in registration fee)

Willie Hensley, also known by his indigenous name Iggiagruk, is an Inupiat Native Alaskan from the Inupiaq Region. He is an author, a college professor, and an Alaskan Leader. Hensley has been elected to both the Alaska State House of Representatives and the Alaska State Senate and currently serves as a visiting distinguished professor in the College of Business and Public Policy at the University of Alaska Anchorage.

**Downtown Anchorage Walking Tour**  
2:00 pm - 3:30 pm • Off-site  
Cost: $10

A local guide will acquaint you with downtown Anchorage on foot, point out interesting shops, activities, and restaurants, offering a local’s perspective on Anchorage and Alaska. The tour will be conducted rain or shine. Comfortable walking shoes are recommended.

**Spouses and Partners Brunch**  
11:00 am - 1:00 pm • Tikahtnu ED  
Cost: $0 (included in registration fee)

Spouses, partners, and guests of commissioners are invited to enjoy a wonderful meal as you connect with friends both old and new. Representatives will be on hand to give you an introduction to the week’s events.

**Welcoming Reception**  
5:30 pm - 7:00 pm • Dena’ina Center 3rd Floor Terrace and Foyer  
Cost: $0 (included in registration fee)

Join us for hors d’oeuvres and cocktails to celebrate the beginning of the 2019 Annual Meeting. Please note that this will not constitute dinner. Making post-reception dinner reservations well in advance for this evening is encouraged.
Saturday, July 13th

Speaker Presentation
Presenter: Craig Stowers
Today’s Topic: Staying Alive in Alaska
8:00 am - 9:00 am • Kahtnu 2
Cost: $0 (included in registration fee)

Alaska Commissioner (and former National Park Ranger) Craig Stowers will present a short talk on things to be aware of as you visit Anchorage and Alaska generally this summer, including how not to die on the Anchorage mud flats, how to enjoy but avoid close encounters with bears and moose, what to do in the unlikely event of an earthquake, etc.

Martin Buser’s Kennel Tour
9:30 am - 3:00 pm • Off-site
Cost: $140 per person

Spend a day with Martin Buser, four-time winner of the world-famous Iditarod Dog Sled Race, and his sled dogs. Your tour will begin with a presentation about the Iditarod and the dogs’ training, as well as stories from Martin Buser’s many years of racing. After the presentation, you’ll have an opportunity to romp with the puppies and observe a dog sled demonstration run. The tour will conclude with a photo-op with some of the dogs.

Boxed lunch and private motorcoach transportation are included. Comfortable walking shoes are recommended.

Speaker Presentation
Presenter: Shawn Lyons
Today’s Topic: Hiking Alaska
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm • Kahtnu 2
Cost: $0 (included in registration fee)

Shawn is a very successful author, teacher, musician and restaurateur who has written a number of books about hiking and hiking trails in south central Alaska. His talk will be about his extensive experiences and Alaskan hiking adventures.

Lunch will not be provided at this presentation, but you are welcome bring “grab-and-go” food items into the room.

Be sure to register for the ULF Gala. You won’t want to miss this exciting evening at the Alaska Native Heritage Center! Keep your eye on your mail and e-mail for Gala registration information coming soon!
Sunday, July 14th

Kenai Fjord Glacier Tour ★
8:00 am - 8:00 pm • Off-site
TOUR IS SOLD OUT VIA PRE-SALE

You will depart Anchorage and take a scenic 2 1/2 hour drive to Seward along Turnagain Arm where you will watch for eagles, dall sheep, moose, and beluga whales. This route has been voted one of the Ten Most Scenic Drives in America by Conde Nast Traveler magazine.

Upon arrival in the quaint town of Seward, you’ll embark for a magnificent day of cruising the spectacular fjords of Resurrection Bay and Kenai Fjords National Park. This wildlife and glacier cruise takes you through Resurrection Bay, where you’ll spend time watching glaciers calve giant splinters of blue ice into the ocean. Look for graceful humpback whales, orcas, playful otters and sea lions.

Private motor coach transportation and a buffet lunch on board the boat will be provided. This tour will be conducted rain or shine.

Notes: There will be no general session on Sunday, July 14th. This tour has been sold out via pre-sale and is on a waitlist basis at this time. Please contact the Chicago office for more information or to get on the waitlist.

If you have registered for this tour, you will receive an invoice for the remaining balance of $160 per person.
Monday, July 15th

Speaker Presentation
Presenter: Charlie Trost
Today’s Topic: Alaska - Coming Into the Country: A Deliberate Double Entendre
8:00 am - 9:00 am • Kahtnu 2
Cost: $0 (included in registration fee)

Commissioner Charlie Trost returns with another exciting presentation, this time with the improbable tale of the joining of Alaska Territory into the Union.

Alaska Wildlife Conservation Center ★
9:30 am - 4:00 pm • Off-site
Cost: $130 per person

You will travel to Portage, Alaska along Turnagain Arm, a route that has been named one of the Ten Most Scenic Drives in America by Conde Nast Traveler magazine, where you will watch for eagles, dall sheep, moose, and beluga whales.

After an hour-long scenic drive, you’ll arrive at Alaska’s only drive-through wildlife viewing exhibit where you will have the opportunity to capture a glimpse of a variety of Alaskan wildlife. Guests will enjoy a behind-the-scenes lunch presentation featuring a porcupine resident of the center, and will have a unique opportunity to feed moose.

Private motor coach transportation will be provided.

Speaker Presentation
Presenter: Fran Ulmer
Today’s Topic: The Rapidly Changing Arctic, Why it Matters to You
12:00pm - 1:00 pm • Kahtnu 2
Cost: $0 (included in registration fee)

The United States is an Arctic nation. Like other countries in the region, we face significant challenges and opportunities due to the rapidly changing climate and geopolitical conditions. Ms. Ulmer will describe and explore those changes and challenges.

Lunch will not be provided at this presentation, but you are welcome bring “grab-and-go” food items into the room.

Sing Along
9:00pm - 11:00 pm • Location TBD
Cost: $0 (included in registration fee)

The ULC continues its long tradition with the Sing-Along! Join us for an evening of favorite melodies and piano accompaniment. Song books will be provided.

If you or someone you know is willing and able to provide piano accompaniment for the Sing Along, please contact Elizabeth Cotton-Murphy at ecotton@uniformlaws.org
Tuesday, July 16th

Speaker Presentation
Presenter: Vic Fischer
Today’s Topic: Drafting the Alaska Constitution
8:00 am - 9:00 am • Kahtnu 2
Cost: $0 (included in registration fee)

The name of Victor Fischer should be well known to most Alaskans. One of the last three members of the Alaska Constitutional Convention, Mr. Fisher will discuss the 1956 constitution and the changes to the constitution and state of Alaska in the nearly 65 years since.

Alaska Botanical Gardens Docent Tour
9:15am - 11:45am • Off-site
Cost: $45 per person

A docent will guide you through a 110-acre spruce and birch woodland containing over 1,100 varieties of annual and perennial plants known to grow in southcentral Alaska. There are about 150 species of Alaska native plants in the Garden.

The area surrounding (and including) the Alaska Botanical Garden is a habitat for a wide variety of wildlife including moose, bears, foxes, weasels, coyotes, and many species of birds. After the tour, you will have 30 minutes to explore the gardens and gift shop.

Comfortable walking shoes are recommended. You will be walking approximately 1 mile.

Private motor coach transportation is provided.

Speaker Presentation
Presenter: Rev. Dr. Michael Oleksa
Today’s Topic: Russian Orthodox and Alaska Native Peoples
12:00pm - 1:00 pm • Kahtnu 2
Cost: $0 (included in registration fee)

The Reverend Dr. Michael James Oleksa has spent the last 35 years in Alaska, serving as village priest, university professor, consultant on intercultural relations and communications, and authoring several books on Alaska Native cultures and history with a background in Native Alaskan history during the Alaska Russian period.

Lunch will not be provided at this presentation, but you are welcome bring “grab-and-go” food items into the room.

Eklutna Historical Park Guided Tour
1:30 pm - 3:15 pm • Off-site
Cost: $40

You will enjoy a guided tour of the old Russian Orthodox Church, where you will see the Spirit Houses and visit the new Orthodox Church, and learn about the history, culture and customs of the Dean’ina Athabascans in combination with Russian Orthodox traditions. The old St. Nicholas church, constructed in Knik between 1830 and 1870 and moved to Eklutna in 1900, is the oldest standing building in the greater Anchorage area. It is kept up for historical purposes and is listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

Comfortable walking shoes recommended.
Wednesday, July 17th

Speaker Presentation
Presenter: TBD
Today’s Topic: TBD
8:00 am - 9:00 am • Kahtnu 2
Cost: $0 (included in registration fee)
Keep an eye on the mobile app for an exciting talk on an Alaska-related topic!

Bush Pilot Docent Tour of Alaska Aviation Museum
10:00am - 12:30pm • Off-Site
Cost: $78
You will enjoy a guided tour of the Alaska Aviation Museum led by some of Alaska’s great bush pilots who will share their stories about their aviation careers in Alaska and provide a tour of the museum’s exhibits. Two of the historical aircraft, in the museum’s collection are the last in the world. One of these is recognized by the National Register.

Private motor coach transportation is provided.

Speaker Presentation
Presenter: TBD
Today’s Topic - TBD
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm • Kahtnu 2
Cost: $0 (included in registration fee)
Keep an eye on the mobile app for an exciting talk on an Alaska-related topic!

Lunch will not be provided at this presentation, but you are welcome bring “grab-and-go” food items into the room.

Farewell Dinner
6:00 pm - 10:00 pm • Dena’ina Center 2nd Floor Foyer (Reception) 3rd Floor Foyer (Dinner)
Cost: $0 (included in registration fee)
Join us for a wonderful evening beginning with cocktails in 2nd Floor Foyer, followed by dinner and dancing on the 3rd Floor to celebrate a successful week as the Annual Meeting draws to a close.
Suggested Attire: Black Tie Optional.
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