## CITIES ON THE CUTTING EDGE FINANCING LOCAL GOVERNMENT IN THE 21<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY

## **PROGRAM**

- 8:30 a.m. **Sign in and Breakfast** at Hastings College of the Law, 198 McAllister Street, (Sign in--Lobby, Breakfast--2<sup>nd</sup> floor)
- 9:00 a.m. **Welcome** (Classroom C, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the 198 Building) Hastings College of the Law <u>Academic Dean Leo Martinez</u>
- 9:10 a.m. Opening Remarks: (Classroom C, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the 198 Building)

The Changing Balance of State/Local Fiscal Power: Will They Ever Get it Right?

**Speaker**: Fred Silva, Senior Advisor, Government Relations, Public Policy Institute of California

10:00 a.m. Morning Session: Restructuring the State/Local Fiscal Relationship (Classroom C, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the 198 Building)

Moderator: Fred Silva

Local Finance in California: an Overview and Critique - Richard Thompson Ford, Professor of Law and Justin M. Roach, Jr. Faculty Scholar, Stanford Law School

*The City Perspective* - <u>Betsy Strauss</u>, Special Counsel to the League of California Cities

The County Perspective - Steven Woodside, Sonoma County Counsel

*The State Perspective* – <u>Peter Detwiler</u>, Consultant, Senate Local Government Committee

- 12:00 p.m. Luncheon (Alumni Reception Center, 200 McAllister Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor)
- 1:15 p.m. **Afternoon Session: The Search for Revenue** (Classroom C, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the 198 Building)

Moderator: Michael Colantuono, Colantuono & Levin

<u>David Gelfand</u>, Ashton Phelps Professor of Constitutional Law, Tulane University School of Law

Laurie Reynolds, Professor of Law, University of Illinois

Lenny Goldberg, Executive Director, California Tax Reform Association

<u>W. Bart Hildreth,</u> Regents Distinguished Professor of Public Finance, and Director, Kansas Public Finance Center, Wichita State University

3:30 p.m. **Reception:** (Hastings Sky Room, 100 McAllister Street. 24<sup>th</sup> floor)