

MEMORANDUM

TO: NAHRO Board of Governors

FROM: Housing and Development Law Institute

RE: HDLI Report

DATE: October 2017

HDLI continues to look forward to working together with NAHRO on joint endeavors this year and beyond. HDLI stands ready to provide additional services to NAHRO, as the needs arise. HDLI provides the following highlights of HDLI activities for this quarter:

Webinar Offerings Collaborative Between HDLI and NAHRO:

HDLI is looking forward to working with NAHRO to provide webinar training to our joint membership later this year.

Legal Conferences & Trainings:

HDLI very much looks forward to participating in NAHRO's 2017 National Conference in Pittsburgh. HDLI has been putting on a full-day legal conference at NAHRO's National Conference for more than 20 consecutive years. This year's sessions include:

- Stay Out of Hot Water! - Key Strategies for Commissioners and Executive Directors to Avoid Personal Liability
- How Far Should Your No-Smoking Policies Go? - Strategies to Address Enforcement, Marijuana, E-Cigarettes, Reasonable Accommodations, and More
- Navigating VAWA Challenges - Strategies to Address the Repeat Abuser, Victim Protection, Victim Fraud, Notice and Operations, and More
- Navigating Today's World of Mixed Finance - Legal Strategies for Funding and Development
- Review of Case Law Affecting Affordable and Public Housing - Presented by Lisa L. Walker, HDLI's CEO and General Counsel
- HDLI Open Forum - Attendees Bring Questions of Interest to the Group for Discussion



In September 2017 HDLI co-hosted Leo Dauwer's annual Martha's Vineyard Commissioner's Conference. The conference was a success, despite the hurricanes that occurred during the conference period.

HDLI's online comprehensive fair housing training is available at www.hdlitraining.org. NAHRO members that also are HDLI members receive a discounted training rate. HDLI remains open to further discussing an online fair housing training partnership with NAHRO, which might include deeper discounts for NAHRO members with NAHRO's active endorsement, among other possibilities.

HDLI's on-site and regional training programs continue to be successful. To date, HDLI has provided training, such as fair housing, grievance, and "One Strike" evictions trainings, to nearly 5,000 public housing agency and real estate developer staff.

Publications:

HDLI continues to publish its regular legal periodicals during the course of the year: *The Authority*, *The Counsellor*, and the *Index to HUD Regulations*. HDLI's *Index to HUD Regulations* is the only published cumulative index of HUD's title 24 regulations and is a must-have desk reference. It is included in HDLI membership. HDLI's offer to work with NAHRO in jointly marketing the *Index* and offering NAHRO members an exclusive discount remains on the table.

Membership/Administration:

HDLI's members include public housing agencies, law firms, individual and corporate members. Its membership has been growing with a steady influx of new members in 2017. HDLI currently has in excess of 260 members.

HDLI's prestigious board of directors includes 22 executive directors and attorneys representing the most impressive housing authorities and law firms in the country. Pursuant to HDLI by-laws, NAHRO's CEO, Adrienne Todman, also has a seat on HDLI's board of directors and receives HDLI board materials on a monthly basis. HDLI is pleased that Ms. Todman has been participating in HDLI's board meetings. A list with photographs of our board members is available online at <http://www.hdli.org/allabout/board.htm> Ricardo Gilmore is HDLI's representative for NAHRO BOG meetings. His email is rgilmore@saxongilmore.com.

HDLI operates with a full-time staff of two people – the CEO and General Counsel, and the Director of Administration. Their biographies are available online at <http://www.hdli.org/allabout/staff.htm>