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Dear ALEA Members:

I am pleased to announce that registration is now open for this year's annual meeting, which will be held on Friday and Saturday, May 17-18, 2024, at the University of Michigan Law School, located at 625 South State Street in Ann Arbor, Michigan.

In making your plans, please be aware that snow is not in the forecast.

Even better, there is an exciting conference program, chock full of sessions with outstanding papers, plus many additional opportunities for fun, stimulating, and in many cases even informative, interactions with ALEA colleagues.

We will post the preliminary program on the ALEA website as soon as it is available.

The first set of parallel paper sessions will begin at 9:45am Friday; this follows a continental breakfast that is available starting at 8:30am. The parallel paper sessions will continue throughout Friday and Saturday, ending at approximately 2:30pm Saturday. In addition to lunches on both days, and multiple coffee interludes, cocktails and dinner are on Friday night, and there will be a reception on Saturday from 2:30-4:00pm.

And as if that were not enough, multiple social events are planned for Thursday evening, May 16, starting at 6:00 pm. These are theme-based, such as "the law and economics of crime," where criminally-inclined ALEA scholars will have the opportunity to learn methods from each other. Detailed information about local venues for the Thursday night social events, distinguished by topic area, will be emailed to registered conference attendees.

Plus one other thing: part of the conference this year consists of Roundtable sessions on Friday from 8:00-9:30am, which are open only to invited participants in these sessions. A continental breakfast will be available for Roundtable session participants starting at 7:30am on Friday.

<u>**REGISTRATION:**</u> Please use the following link to register: https://editorialexpress.com/cgibin/conference.cgi?action=login&db_name=ALEA2024

We ask all attendees (including paper presenters) to register **as soon as possible**. This will help us plan meals and minimize unnecessary expenses.

The Association is happy to announce a modest reduction in the registration fee. (How many times in your life have you seen that?) The registration fee will be \$350.00 (\$130.00 for students), which includes all meals and social functions during the conference. The early registration deadline is May 1, 2024. We will charge a late fee for on-site registration or registrations received after May 1st, and no refunds will be given after that date. All attendees must register for the meeting (including paper presenters).

LODGING: The Association has reserved blocks of rooms at four area hotels, with prices ranging from \$159/night (plus taxes) to \$289/night (plus taxes), thus confirming that the meeting is not in New York. Lodging information is attached, and can also be found on the Association's website (www.amlecon.org).

Please note that all conference sessions will be held at the beautiful University of Michigan Law School. The Friday evening cocktail hour and dinner will be held at the Michigan Union Rogel Ballroom, also a charming venue, which is located on the campus of the University of Michigan, at 530 S. State Street in Ann Arbor (if you walk very slowly it is four minutes from the Law School).

We look forward to seeing you and all your friends at what promises to be a fun and exciting meeting.

James R. Hines Jr. ALEA President 2023-24