



Wednesday, November 17, 2021

9:00am- 4:30pm; at the Hotel Captain Cook

**REGISTRATION**

\$125 including plated lunch; limit of 30 participants

Participants must read the book **BEFORE** the dialogue. Registration does not include the price of the book; must purchase separately.

To register: Check the Athenian Dialogue box when you register for the AAMC annual conference.

**EDUCATION POINTS**

3 CMC/MMC points upon completion of a Learning Assessment.

QUESTIONS? Contact Heidi Geagel at [cityclerk@cityofseldovia.com](mailto:cityclerk@cityofseldovia.com)

ALASKA ASSOCIATION OF MUNICIPAL CLERKS

## ATHENIAN LEADERSHIP

***Please join us for this special learning opportunity!***

*Dialogues are conversations that go beyond the usual knowledge recall and application process familiar to all municipal clerks in training seminars. They are unique because they explore leadership principles and practice, drawing on the insights contained in a book that all participants have read.*



**ABOUT THE FACILITATOR:**

Stephanie D. Smith, Director of Elections Services for Best, Best & Krieger, is a Master Municipal Clerk and has served on the Executive Board for the City Clerks Association of California, most recently as President in 2018-2019. With 33 years' experience in municipal government, she has worked for the cities of Paramount, Perris, Lake Forest, and Murrieta before retiring from City employment and moving to the private sector, where she heads up the firm's Election Services division, providing Municipal Clerks with election advice and redistricting demographic and public hearing services. She holds a Bachelor's Degree in Management and is a 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Year graduate of the Advanced Leadership Program through Continuing Education for Public Officials (CEPO). She is also a graduate of the CEPO Training for Trainers Program. Stephanie is the author of over 100 published articles on a variety of topics, including workplace change initiatives, personnel issues, business management, work/life balance, and financial planning. Her first book, 'Values-Based Goal Setting: How to Dream Big and Live the Life You Were Meant to Live' was an Amazon #1 bestseller in the Vocational Guidance and Business & Money Short Reads categories. She trains regularly for the City Clerks Association, Master Municipal Clerk Academy, California Building Officials Association, and facilitates Athenian Dialogues (sort of a leadership book club) throughout the western United States.



**ATHENIAN FELLOW:**

Norma Alley is a Master Municipal Clerk and has served on the Executive Board for the Alaska Association of Municipal Clerks as the Education Director. With 24 years' experience in municipal government, she has worked for the cities of Newberg and Tigard, Oregon; Palmer, AK; and has settled into Palm Desert, Alaska. She holds a Bachelor's Degree in Sociology and Political Science from George Fox University where she served on the Alumni Board for several years in leadership roles, including President. She earned her Athenian Leadership Society Fellowship in October, 2020, and was inducted in May, 2021, at the International Association of Municipal Clerk's Conference. She is working on becoming an Athenian Leadership Dialogue Facilitator.

**ABOUT THE BOOK:**

In a life filled with meaning and accomplishment, Michelle Obama has emerged as one of the most iconic and compelling women of our era. As First Lady of the United States of America - the first African American to serve in the role - she helped create the most welcoming and inclusive White House in history, while also establishing herself as a power advocate for women and girls in the US and around the world.

In her memoir, Michelle Obama invites readers into her world, chronicling the experiences that have shaped her - from her childhood on the South Side of Chicago to her years as an executive balancing the demands of motherhood and work, to her time spent at the world's most famous address. Becoming is a deeply personal reckoning of a woman of soul and substance who has steadily defied expectations.

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