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Municipal financial distress is a problem of enormous importance both nationally and in Pennsylvania. Detroit recently filed the largest municipal bankruptcy case in history, 21 cities in Pennsylvania are in Act 47, the Municipalities Financial Recovery Act program, and Harrisburg is on its way to recovery after operating in receivership for over two years. This symposium, presented by the *Widener Law Journal* of Widener University School of Law's Harrisburg Campus, will explore the causes of municipal distress and approaches to alleviating the problem. Reducing existing debt is not enough; policymakers must think creatively about municipal structure, finance, and expenditures. The invited speakers include experts in state and local government law, municipal finance and tax issues, public pensions, and Chapter 9 bankruptcy. The symposium will provide a unique opportunity for nationally recognized scholars in a variety of areas related to municipal financial distress to exchange ideas with professionals involved in Harrisburg's recovery.

**8:00 am—Registration and Breakfast**

**8:15 am—Welcome**

**8:30–9:00 am—Opening Keynote Address**
**Jarad Handelman**, First Executive Deputy General Counsel to Governor Tom Corbett

**9:00–10:10 am—Financing Municipalities**
**Moderator: Tonya M. Evans**, Associate Professor, Widener University School of Law
**Panelists: Christine Sgarlata Chung**, Associate Professor, Albany Law School; **Randle B. Pollard**, Assistant Professor, Indiana University Kelley School of Business; **David Unkovic**, McNees Wallace & Nurick, LLC

**10:15 am–11:45 pm—Pensions and Other Hot Topics in Chapter 9 Cases**
**Moderator: Michael J. Hussey**, Associate Professor, Widener University School of Law
**Panelists: Mark S. Kaufman**, McKenna Long & Aldridge LLP; **Guy S. Neal**, Sidley Austin LLP; **C. Scott Pryor**, Professor, Regent University School of Law; **David A. Skeel**, S. Samuel Arsht Professor of Corporate Law, University of Pennsylvania Law School

**11:45 am–1:15 pm—Lunch and Distinguished Address**
**General William B. Lynch**, Former Receiver for the City of Harrisburg

**1:15–2:15 pm—What is Unique about a Chapter 9 Case? The Judges' Point of View**
**Moderator: Juliet M. Moringiello**, Widener University School of Law
**Panelists: Honorable Thomas B. Bennett**, Chief Judge, U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Alabama; **Honorable Mary D. France**, Chief Judge, U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Middle District of Pennsylvania

**2:15–3:45 pm—Beyond Financial Restructuring: The Future of Today's Distressed Municipalities**
**Moderator: Tim Lambert**, WITF
**Panelists: Michelle Wilde Anderson**, Assistant Professor, University of California Berkeley School of Law; **Matthew Parlow**, Associate Dean for Academic Affairs and Professor, Marquette University School of Law; **Frank H. Shafroth**, Director, Center for State and Local Government Leadership, George Mason University; **David Thornburgh**, Executive Director, University of Pennsylvania Fels School of Government

**3:45–4:00 pm—Closing Remarks**

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