

CURRICULUM VITAE

JOHN R. VARALY, AICP

Actively employed by municipal and private clients for a various planning services since 1974. Educational and professional background includes:

EDUCATION:

BA Government –King’s College, 1972

Master’s Degree in City and Regional Planning - Rutgers University 1974

REGISTRATION:

American Institute of Certified Planners 1984

American Planning Association 1978 (Charter Member)

Pennsylvania Planning Association 1980

- Full accreditation from the American Institute of Certified Planners.
- Advisor to municipal Planning Commissions and Zoning Hearing Boards
- Zoning Regulations for Oil and Gas Development
- Zoning Regulations for Wind Energy Projects
- Zoning Regulations for Cell Towers
- Zoning Regulations for Green Sustainable Development Practices
- Zoning Regulations for Curative Amendments
- Certified Planner under the Natural Lands Trust for Conservation Zoning and Conservation Subdivision under State’s Growing Greener Program.
- Instructor with the Pennsylvania Municipal Planning Education Institute for Courses in Zoning, Zoning Administration, Community Planning and Subdivision and Land Development.
- Instructor with the Pennsylvania Municipal Planning Education Institute for Courses in Subdivision and Land Development.
- Instructor with the Pennsylvania Municipal Planning Education Institute for Courses in Community Planning, with Marcellus Shale component.
- Instructor with the Pennsylvania Municipal Planning Education Institute for Courses in Zoning.
- Instructor with the Governor’s Center for Local Government Services for the PennSCAPES Program.
- Expert witness testimony in land use cases before local Zoning Hearing Boards and the Court of Common Pleas in Luzerne County, Lackawanna County, Carbon County, and Columbia County and Allegheny County .
- Former Wilkes-Barre City Planning Director (1975 to 2000)
- Consultant to Wilkes-Barre City on FEMA disaster claims.
- Serves as Municipal Zoning Officer to three communities
- Past instructor at King’s College.
- Guest panelist at Pennsylvania Planning Association Conferences on zoning regulations.

Accreditation from the American Planning Association with membership in the American Institute of Certified Planners (AICP) carries great importance. The American Planning Association provides AICP status to qualified individuals. As a prerequisite for applying for such status, one must have obtained a level of educational background in planning, in my case a Master’s Degree from Rutgers’s University in City and Regional Planning, and demonstrated professional work experience. Once a person meets these prerequisites, he

or she is then allowed to take the Comprehensive Exam for membership in the American Institute of Certified Planners. Those individuals who pass the examination to become AICP certified planners are recognized as professional planners in all 50 states, including those states which license planners.

The American Planning Association website notes the following information about AICP certified planners:

“AICP certified planners carry a high mark of distinction because they are required to meet rigorous standards, maintain their expertise through continuing education, and serve community interests. Certified planners are members of APA’s professional institute, AICP. They have demonstrated a commitment to high standards of professional practice and a mastery of theories and tools of planning. To become certified, an APA member must meet requirements for education and experience, pass the AICP Comprehensive Planning Examination, and pledge to uphold ethical standards and engage in ongoing professional development.”

Under the Certification Maintenance program, certified planners are required to earn 32 hours of professional development credits every two years.

Mr. Varaly holds specialization in planning and land use regulations and has prepared Comprehensive Plans, Zoning Ordinances, Subdivision and Land Development Ordinances, Flood Plain Management Ordinances and Expert Witness Testimony for clients throughout northeastern Pennsylvania A partial listing of past and present clients include:

Packer Township	Tobyhanna Township
Hazle Township	Jenkins Township
Throop Borough	Hegins Township
Ashley Borough	Sugar Notch Borough
Town of Bloomsburg	North Centre Township
Dorrance Township	Rice Township
Plains Township	Nuangola Borough
Dallas Township	Pittston Township
Edwardsville Borough	Larksville Borough
Wyoming Borough	Exeter Borough
Lehigh Township	Pittston Township
Penn Lake Park Borough	White Haven Borough
Foster Township	Dennison Township
Salem Township	Wright Township
Lehman Township	Laflin Borough
Wilkes-Barre Township	Bear Creek Township
Jackson Township	Harveys Lake Borough
East Union Township	Lansford Borough
Throop Borough	Luzerne Borough
Hanover Township	Coaldale Borough
Luzerne Borough	Laurel Run Borough
Columbia County	Wilkes-Barre Area School District
Newton Township	Lower Towamensing Township
Berwick Borough	Columbia Alliance for Economic Growth