

**MASSACHUSETTS MUNICIPAL LAWYERS  
ASSOCIATION, INC. presents....**

**“Public Meetings and Public Hearings”**

**Thursday, August 9, 2018**

**@ The Publick House**

**277 Main Street, Sturbridge, MA 01566**

Chair Mark Cerel has again put together a stellar array of speakers that address a myriad of topics in municipal law. There have been many changes over the past few years that impact the meetings and hearing by which municipalities function and being well versed in this subject matter is extremely important.

After attendance, we encourage you to share this program information with others from your community. Those in local government such as Board, Commission and Committee members, administrative staff, local officials, HR staff, Administrators, Chiefs, etc. will find this very helpful.

**Program Overview**

This program provides municipal attorneys with the latest information, practitioners’ points and resources on Open Meeting Law Compliance when preparing and implementing agendas, Town Meeting Warrants, and Procedures and Public Hearings. The seminar also includes information about potential personal liability claims against municipal officials and private citizens, and how to avoid such with a focus on civil rights, defamation and invasion of privacy claims. Attendees will leave with a better understanding of the applicable laws governing public hearings for land use regulation by planning and zoning boards and conservation commissions, alcoholic beverages violations, vicious or nuisance dogs and board of health.

**Program Details and Schedule**

- **11:45am:** Lunch Buffet
  
- **12:50pm:** Awards Ceremony including the President’s Award and the Robert W. Ritchie Special Achievement Award
  
- **1:10pm:** Welcome and Introductions by Kathleen Colleary, MMLA President
  
- **1:15pm:** Lauren F. Goldberg, Esq., KP Law
  - Preparation and Compliance for Councils, Boards of Selectmen and other Boards and Commissions
  
- **2:00pm:** Lauren F. Goldberg, Esq., KP Law, & Mark G. Cerel, Medway Town Moderator, & Kathleen Colleary, DOR Local Service
  - Town Meeting Warrants and Procedures with Articles and Motions
  
- **2:45pm:** Robert W. Ritchie, Esq., & James B. Lampke, Esq., Town Counsel for Hull, Lampke & Lampke
  - Public Hearings Overview
  
- **3:15pm:** Break

- **3:30pm:** John J. Davis, Esq., Pierce, Davis & Perritano
  - Potential Personal Liability for Municipal Officials and Private Citizens
- **4:00pm:** Gregor I. McGregor, Esq., McGregor & Legere
  - Specific Types of Hearings -Land Use, Planning Boards, ZBA, SPGA, and ConCom
- **4:45pm:** Ivria Glass Fried, Esq., Miyares & Harrington, & Mark G. Cerel, Esq., Town Counsel for Franklin and Medfield
  - Hearings on Alcoholic Beverages, Vicious/Nuisance Dogs, and Board of Health
- **5:30pm – 5:45pm:** Final Questions and Answers Followed by Closing Remarks

### REGISTRATION FORM

Submit separately for each person registering by copying, pasting and including the following information in an email and sending it to: [reservations@massmunilaw.org](mailto:reservations@massmunilaw.org) or faxing (781-749-9923) the attached completed reservation form to the MMLA Office. Please type or print clearly!

#### Event Cost Information:

- **\$100.00** — Full program includes delicious luncheon buffet, program, & electronic materials (\$80.00 per person if 2 or more from the same community attend)
- **\$60.00** — Program only
- **\$45.00** — Luncheon only

**\*\*\$10.00 fee** For non-members or those not in good standing on their membership dues.

If you have a special dietary need, please advise.

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3) Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

4) Employer or Municipality/Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

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Full Program.  Program Only  Luncheon Only

6) Payment (please make check payable to “MMLA, Inc.” and mail to the MMLA office: 115 North Street, Hingham, MA 02043)

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