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8:45 – 9:45

Local Government Emergency Playbook

Responding to an emergency is an emergency ... but it does not have to be. Learn useful information that both the county and municipal attorney can use to effectively provide legal guidance to clients through an emergency. The session will discuss issues that may arise from declarations and proclamations, local government powers, executive orders and enforcing them, meetings, and a myriad of other issues that may arise when the state or local government is in the state of an emergency.

Daniel Eder, MPH, IPEM, LEHP, Interim Manager, Lake County Emergency Management Agency, Waukegan and Libertyville

James V. Ferolo, Klein, Thorpe and Jenkins, Ltd., Chicago

Lisle A. Stalter, Lake County State's Attorney's Office, Waukegan

9:45 – 10:30

Courts, the General Assembly, and Congress: A Status Call

Illinois and federal courts and the Illinois General Assembly and the US Congress continue to impact the operations of all Illinois governments. Review the latest and most pressing court decisions and legislative actions affecting government entities throughout the state.

Peter M. Friedman, Elrod Friedman LLP, Chicago

10:30 – 10:45

Break

10:45 – 11:00

Statements of Economic Interest Primer

It only comes up once a year, but all local governments are required to comply. Understand the process and responsibilities under the Governmental Ethics Act with respect to Statements of Economic Interest from certification of names to what happens if someone fails to file. After this session you will have the background information necessary to easily find the answer to any SOEI question that comes your way.

Lisle A. Stalter

11:00 – 12:00

Best Practices for Virtual Board Meetings and Public Hearings

Following nine months of attending numerous virtual board meetings and hearings, Steve and Julie return to the virtual stage to share their experiences. In their typical interactive style, they will discuss lessons they've learned over the past nine months and offer guidance on advising clients on how to conduct virtual meetings and hearings in compliance with the Open Meetings Act and guidance from the Attorney General's Office. They will also provide best practice tips for conducting executive sessions virtually.

Steven M. Elrod, Elrod Friedman LLP, Chicago

Julie A. Tappendorf, Ancel Glink, PC, Chicago

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12:00 – 12:15

Grab a Quick Lunch

12:15 – 1:15

Lunch Panel: Bells That Can't Be Unrung After COVID-19

Each member of our top-notch faculty will discuss "new" developments that will likely continue after the pandemic ends.

Panel Moderators: *Steven M. Elrod & Peter M. Friedman*
All Faculty will Participate as Members of the Panel

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1:15 – 2:00

New Developments Concerning Police and Law Enforcement

Learn about efforts to eliminate qualified immunity, the move toward civilian review boards, endeavors to require police discipline arbitration decisions to be subject to broader judicial review, and the staggering differences in how excessive force claims against police are handled now (2020) compared to then (2019).

John B. Murphey, Odelson, Sterk, Murphey, Frazier & McGrath, Evergreen Park

2:00 – 2:15

Break

2:15 – 3:15

Navigating First and Second Amendment Rights in the Face of Modern Social Upheaval: COVID, Police, Protests, Civil Unrest, and the 2020 Election

Steve and Lance team up again to discuss current challenges to rights guaranteed under the First and Second Amendment. Understand recent case law and how the pandemic, protests and riots impact the rights of speech, assembly, and petition, as well as the right to bear arms. Get guidance on maintaining public safety while preserving these fundamental rights in the context of an extraordinary new world.

Steven B. Adams, Robbins Schwartz, Chicago

Lance C. Malina, Klein, Thorpe and Jenkins, Ltd., Chicago

3:15 – 3:45

Election Law Update

Understand the nuances of a consolidated election. Get updates and learn pointers to get ready for the upcoming election cycle.

Jeffrey R. Jurgens, City of Bloomington, Bloomington

Sonni Choi Williams, City of Lockport, Lockport

3:45 – 4:45

Law and Economics: COVID-19 Economic Development and Municipal Finance Updates

As the COVID-19 pandemic led to sudden economic meltdown, local governments and their business communities faced serious financial challenges. The impact of the crisis on the private sector has had real implications for the financial health of the public sector. Understand the current state of financial conditions for local governments, including the public finance market. We also will discuss initiatives taken at the state and local level to support local governments and their businesses.

Government Finance and Bond Market Conditions and Economic Development Opportunities Update

Darryl R. Davidson, Principal & Chicago Resident Director, Miller Canfield, Chicago

Incentive and Support Opportunities for Illinois Businesses and Local Governments

Justin Heather, Illinois Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity, Director of Business Development

Agnes Masnik, Illinois Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity, Office of Regional Economic Development & Foreign Direct Investment

Local Municipal COVID-19 Economic Development and Support Initiatives

Panel Moderator: *Ruth A. Schlossberg, Zukowski, Rogers, Flood & McArdle, Crystal Lake*

4:45

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