

2022 ANNUAL CONFERENCE, CITY ATTORNEYS PROGRAMMING

Wednesday, September 7 – Friday, September 9 Long Beach Convention Center – Long Beach, CA

2021-2022 City Attorneys Department Officers

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WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Registration Open

1:30p – 3:30 p.m. Opening General Session (Whole Conference: No City Attorneys

Programming)

Long Beach Convention Center - Exhibit Hall C

3:30 – 5:00 p.m. <u>Legal Issues Session</u>

Long Beach Convention Center - Room 104 BC

Moderator: Dave Fleishman, City Attorney, Pismo Beach and Solvang,

Richards, Watson & Gershon

Land Use and CEQA Litigation Update

Speaker: William Ihrke, City Attorney, Cerritos and La Quinta, Partner, Rutan

& Tucker

Affordable Housing Covenants: Ensuring Continued Affordability

Speakers: Barbara Kautz, Partner, Goldfarb & Lipman

Gabrielle Janssens, Attorney, Goldfarb & Lipman

5:00 – 7:00 p.m. Grand Opening Expo Hall and Host City Reception

Long Beach Convention Center - Exhibit Hall A & B

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- Twice on Thursday: once during morning sessions and once during afternoon sessions.
- Once on Friday during morning sessions.



THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

7:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Registration Open

8:30 – 9:45 a.m. <u>City Attorneys Business Meeting</u>

Long Beach Convention Center - Room 104 BC

Moderator: Dave Fleishman, City Attorney, Pismo Beach and Solvang,

Richards, Watson & Gershon

Welcoming Remarks

Speakers: Carolyn Coleman, Executive Director and CEO, League of

California Cities

Charles Parkin, City Attorney, Long Beach

Dawn McIntosh, Assistant City Attorney, Long Beach

Department Business Meeting

- Director's Report (Michael Colantuono)

- President's Report (Dave Fleishman)

- Nominating Committee Report (2nd VP Nominee) (Lynn Tracy Nerland)

- Election of Department Officers (President, 1st VP, 2nd VP, Director) (Dave

Fleishman)

The People's Business: California Public Records Act Update

Speakers: Donald A. Larkin, City Attorney, Morgan Hill

Kelly Trujillo, Assistant City Attorney, Napa

10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. General Session (Whole Conference; No City Attorneys' Programming)

Long Beach Convention Center - Exhibit Hall C

11:45 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Attendee Lunch in Expo Hall (Whole Conference; No City Attorneys'

Programming)

Long Beach Convention Center - Exhibit Hall A & B

1:00 – 2:30 p.m. Legal Issues Session

Long Beach Convention Center - Room 104 BC

Moderator: Michael Colantuono, City Attorney, Grass Valley,

Colantuono, Highsmith & Whatley

Practical Tips for Reviewing Public Works Contracts

Speakers: Gary Bell, City Attorney, Auburn, Town Attorney, Yountville,

Assistant City Attorney, Novato, Shareholder, Colantuono,

Highsmith & Whatley

Matthew Summers, City Attorney, Barstow, Calabasas and Ojai,

Shareholder, Colantuono, Highsmith & Whatley

Transferring and Financing Risk in Public Works Contracts

Speaker: Deirdre Joan Cox, Partner, Burke, Williams & Sorensen



THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

2:45 – 4:15 p.m. <u>Legal Issues Session</u>

Long Beach Convention Center - Room 104 BC

Moderator: Eric Danly, City Attorney, Petaluma

Lawyers' Responses to Audit Letters: Law, Practice, and A Few Tips Speaker:

Peter M. Thorson, City Attorney, Temecula, Jurupa Valley,

Shareholder, Richards Watson Gershon

Section 1090 Update: Davis v. Fresno, FPPC Opinions and Other

Developments

Speaker: Sean SeLegue, Partner, Arnold & Porter

Wireless Update: Shot Clocks, Deemed Granted Remedies and Fee

Challenges

Speakers: Gail Karish, Partner, Best Best & Krieger

Lutfi Kharuf, Partner, Best Best & Krieger

Christopher Diaz, City Attorney, Colma and Hillsborough, Partner,

Best Best & Krieger

4:15 - 4:30 p.m. BREAK

4:30 – 6:00 p.m. <u>Legal Issues Session</u>

Long Beach Convention Center - Room 104 BC

Moderator: Joseph Montes, City Attorney, Alhambra, San Marino, and Santa

Clarita, Burke, Williams & Sorensen

Municipal Tort and Civil Rights Litigation Update

Speaker: Timothy T. Coates, Partner, Greines, Martin, Stein & Richland

Getting It Right: Best Practices in Responding to Government Claims

Speakers: Alana Rotter, Partner, Greines, Martin, Stein & Richland

Nadia Sarkis, Partner, Greines, Martin, Stein & Richland

7:00 p.m. Evening On Your Own

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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

7:30 – 10:00 a.m. Registration Open

8:00 – 9:30 a.m. <u>Legal Issues Session</u>

Long Beach Convention Center - Room 104 BC

Moderator: Michael Colantuono, City Attorney, Grass Valley,

Colantuono, Highsmith & Whatley

Labor and Employment Litigation Update

Speakers: Geoffrey S. Sheldon, Partner, Liebert Cassidy Whitmore

Elizabeth Tom Arce, Partner, Liebert Cassidy Whitmore

Microaggresions vs. Dog Whistle: How to Differentiate and Investigate

Speakers: Danielle Drossel, Attorney Investigator, Oppenheimer Investigations

Group

Vida Thomas, Partner, Oppenheimer Investigations Group

9:30 – 9:45 a.m. BREAK

9:45 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. <u>Legal Issues Session</u>

Long Beach Convention Center - Room 104 BC

Moderator: Joseph Montes, City Attorney, Alhambra, San Marino, and Santa

Clarita, Burke, Williams & Sorensen

General Municipal Litigation Update

Speaker: Pamela K. Graham, Senior Counsel, Colantuono Highsmith &

Whatley

Public Safety and Individual Rights in the Age of Firearms

Speakers: Kyle Brochard, Shareholder, Richards Watson & Gershon

T. Peter Pierce, Shareholder, Richards Watson & Gershon

11:15– 11:30 a.m. BREAK

11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. <u>Legal Issues Session (Specialty MCLE – Elimination of Bias)</u>

Long Beach Convention Center - Room 104 BC

Moderator: Eric Danly, City Attorney, Petaluma

So, You Say You Have Diversity?! Now What?

Speakers: Glen Googins, City Attorney, Chula Vista

Robert Lennox, Assistant City Manager, Carson

Sunny Soltani, City Attorney, Carson, Partner, Aleshire & Wynder

11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. Closing Luncheon with Voting Delegates & General Assembly

Long Beach Convention Center - Exhibit Hall C



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