



# ALASKA MUNICIPAL ATTORNEYS ASSOCIATION



## ANNUAL CONFERENCE

DENA'INA CIVIC AND CONVENTION CENTER | Tikahtnu Ballrooms E/F  
DECEMBER 9 and 10, 2024

### Monday, December 9, 2024

8:15 a.m. – 8:45 a.m.

#### **Registration and Breakfast Buffet**

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8:30 a.m. – 8:45 a.m.

#### **Introduction and Welcome**

8:45 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.

#### **Community Cleanup**

*Jason Ortiz, Development Services Manager MatSu Borough*

9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

#### **Ethics**

*Sean Kelly, Kenai Peninsula Borough Attorney*

*Todd Sherwood, Kenai Peninsula Borough Deputy Attorney*

10:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

#### **Break and Snack**

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10:45 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

#### **Executive Sessions: The Good, The Bad, & The Confusing**

*Holly Wells, Birch Horton Bittner & Cherot*

*Jessica Spuhler, Birch Horton Bittner & Cherot*

12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

#### **Lunch Buffet**

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1:15 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

#### **Zoom Bombing: What the . . . ??**

*Tom Chard, Fairbanks City Attorney*

2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

#### **Caselaw Update**

*Bonnie Paskvan, Dorsey & Whitney LLP*

*Nate Bishop, Dorsey & Whitney LLP*

*Joan Travostino, VP Business Development, Three Bears Alaska*

3:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.

#### **Break and Snack**

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3:15 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

#### **HR Issues**

*Will Earnhart, Birch Horton Bittner & Cherot*

4:00 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.

#### **Drug Cartels and Zoning**

*Terry Welch, Brown & Hofmeister, L.L.P.*

6:00 p.m. – 7:00 pm.

#### **Cocktail Hour at Orso**

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7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

#### **Dinner at Orso**



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Landye Bennett Blumstein LLP*

8:45 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.

**Bond Defaults**

*Marc Greenough, Foster Garvey PC  
Joe Levesque, Landye Bennett Blumstein LLP*

9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

**Ethics**

*Phil Shanahan, Alaska Bar Counsel*

10:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

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10:45 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

**Ethics Roundtable**

*Phil Shanahan, Alaska Bar Counsel*

11:45 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.

**Lunch Buffet**

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1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

**Tax Case from Nome**

*Charles Cacciola, Munson, Cacciola & Severin LLP*

2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

**Social Media Use by Public Officials**

*Libby Bakalar, Bethel City Attorney  
Robert Palmer, Munson, Cacciola & Severin LLP*

3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

**AMAA Business Meeting and Cracker Barrel: Roundtable  
Municipal Law Discussion**