



# AAMA/AMJA Fall Municipal Law Conference

October 15-October 17, 2026 | The Lodge at Gulf State Park, Gulf Shores,



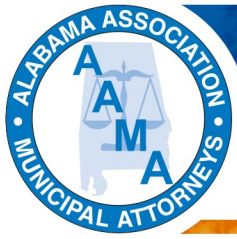
Check in/registration begins at 11:30 a.m. on Thursday, October 15. **Reception for all attendees from 6:00-8:00 pm in the Gulfview Ballroom I and II at The Lodge at Gulf State Park.**

## Thursday, October 15 Attorneys Track

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| 1:00-2:00 p.m. | <b>It's My Birthday and I Can Talk About Municipal Contracts if I Want To</b><br><i>Jim Stanley, Attorney (City of Birmingham)</i>                                                          |
| 2:00-2:45 p.m. | <b>Mitigating Planning - Public Records Loss</b><br><i>Becky Hebert, State and Local Records Coordinator (Alabama Department of Archives and History)</i>                                   |
| 2:45-3:30 p.m. | <b>The Ken Smith Caselaw Update</b><br><i>Mary Elizabeth Dial, Associate Counsel (Alabama League of Municipalities); Emily Butler, Associate Counsel (Alabama League of Municipalities)</i> |
| 3:30-3:45 p.m. | <b>BREAK</b>                                                                                                                                                                                |
| 3:45-4:30 p.m. | <b>2026 Legislative Update</b><br><i>Kaleb Beck, Legislative Counsel (Alabama League of Municipalities)</i>                                                                                 |
| 4:30-5:30 p.m. | <b>Ethics: Balancing The Scales: Wellness and Self Care for Lawyers</b><br><i>Lori Lein, Attorney (Lein and Associates LLC)</i>                                                             |

## Thursday, October 15 Judges/Prosecutors Track

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| 1:00-2:00 p.m. | <b>2026 Attorney General Update</b><br><i>Steve Marshall, Attorney General (State of Alabama)</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 2:00-3:00 p.m. | <b>When Misdemeanor Decisions Matter: Escalation and Lethality Risk in DV Cases</b><br><i>Susan Montgomery-Clark, Co-Founder and Mother; Meredith Montgomery-Price, Executive Director Founder and Sister; Rob Clark, Stepfather (The Megan Montgomery Foundation)</i>                                                                                         |
| 3:00-3:15 p.m. | <b>BREAK</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 3:15-4:15 p.m. | <b>From the Bench to the Capitol: A Conversation with Legislator-Judges</b><br><b>Panel:</b> Rep. Bryan Brinyark, (House of Representatives) Judge (City of Centerville); Rep. Prince Chestnut, (House of Representatives); Sen. Merika Coleman (Alabama Senate) Judge (City of Birmingham)<br><b>Moderator:</b> K.C. Hairston, Judge (City of Mountain Brook) |
| 4:15-5:15 p.m. | <b>The Municipal Judge's Tightrope: Balancing Independence, Accountability, and Court Leadership</b><br><i>Amanda Stanley, Attorney (League of Kansas Municipalities)</i>                                                                                                                                                                                      |



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## Friday, October 16 Attorneys Track

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| 8:00-9:00 a.m.   | <b>What You Need to Know as a New Municipal Attorney</b><br><i>Ben Goldman, Attorney (Hand, Arendall Harrison Sale LLC)</i>                                                                                                                                 |
| 9:00-10:00 a.m.  | <b>Immigration 101 for Prosecutors</b><br><i>Roman Maney, Associate Regional Counsel (Department Homeland Security &amp; Customs Enforcement);<br/>Autumn Cheramie, Associate Regional Counsel (Department Homeland Security &amp; Customs Enforcement)</i> |
| 10:00-10:15 a.m. | <b>BREAK</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| 10:15-11:15 a.m. | <b>Dealing With the Troublesome Citizen or Pro SE Party</b><br><i>Mark Boardman, Attorney (Boardman, Carr, Petelos, Watkins, Ogle &amp; Howard, PC)</i>                                                                                                     |
| 11:15-12:00 a.m. | <b>2026 Opinions Update for Municipal Attorneys</b><br><i>Christy Coan, Assistant Attorney General in the Opinions Division of the Attorney General (State of Alabama)</i>                                                                                  |
| 12:00-12:15 a.m. | <b>AAMA Business Meeting</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |

## Friday, October 16 Judges/Prosecutors Track

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| 8:00-9:00 a.m.   | <b>Dealing With the Troublesome Citizen or Pro SE Party</b><br><i>Mark Boardman, Attorney (Boardman, Carr, Petelos, Watkins, Ogle &amp; Howard, PC)</i> |
| 9:00-10:00 a.m.  | <b>Expungement Cases and Ethical Considerations</b><br><i>Steve Shaw, Attorney (Wallace, Jordan, Ratliff &amp; Brandt)</i>                              |
| 10:00-10:15 a.m. | <b>BREAK</b>                                                                                                                                            |
| 10:15-11:15 a.m. | <b>Ethics: Process and Procedure of the Judicial Inquiry Commission</b><br><i>Jacob Jackson, Attorney (Alabama Judicial Inquiry Commission)</i>         |
| 11:15-12:15 p.m. | <b>Interlock Law Update and Other DL-Related Updates</b><br><i>Samantha Naramore, Attorney (Alabama Law Enforcement Agency)</i>                         |
| 12:15-12:30 p.m. | <b>AMJA Business Meeting</b>                                                                                                                            |



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## Saturday, October 17 Attorneys Track

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| 8:00-8:45 a.m.   | <b>Affirmative Litigation for Municipalities</b><br>Keith Jackson, Attorney (Riley & Jackson PC) Jay Murrill, Attorney (Riley & Jackson PC)                                                                                                             |
| 8:45-9:45 a.m.   | <b>Ask the Veteran Attorney: If I Knew Then What I know Now</b><br>Rob Johnston, Director of Legal Services (Alabama League of Municipalities); Ronald Davis, Attorney (City of Northport); April Danielson, Attorney (Hand Arendall Harrison Sale LLC) |
| 9:45-10:00 a.m.  | <b>BREAK</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 10:00-10:45 a.m. | <b>Legal Landscape of Data Centers</b><br>Shelby Morris, Attorney (City of Madison); Julie Barnard, Attorney (City of Birmingham)                                                                                                                       |
| 10:45-11:45 a.m. | <b>Federal Requirements for Local Redistricting in Alabama</b><br>John Smith, Attorney (Balch & Bingham LLP); Michael Taunton, Attorney (Balch & Bingham LLP); Riley Kate Lancaster, Attorney (Balch & Bingham LLP)                                     |

## Saturday, October 17 Judges/Prosecutors Track

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| 8:00-9:00 a.m.   | <b>Judicial Administration Funds and Court Costs</b><br>Susan Fuqua, Magistrate (City of Hoover)                                           |
| 9-9:30 a.m.      | <b>State of Municipal Courts in Alabama</b><br>K.C. Hairston, Judge (City of Mountain Brook); Susan Fuqua, Magistrate (City of Hoover)     |
| 9:30-10:00 a.m.  | <b>Disorderly Conduct &amp; Resisting Arrest: How Much Abuse are Officers Required to Take?</b><br>Liz Young, Attorney (Dummier Young LLC) |
| 10:00-10:15 a.m. | <b>BREAK</b>                                                                                                                               |
| 10:15-11:15 a.m. | <b>DUI 101</b><br>Jason Neff, Judge (City of Vance/Brookwood), Prosecutor (City of Centreville)                                            |
| 11:15-12:15 p.m. | <b>Acts from 2026 Regular Session</b><br>Jillian Peek, Attorney (The Alabama Administrative Office of Courts)                              |