



Bulletin

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MUNICIPAL LAW SEMINAR

TO: Assessors, Collectors, Treasurers, Accountants, Auditors, Mayors, Selectmen, City/Town Managers, Finance Directors, Finance Committees, City/Town Councils, City Solicitors and Town Counsels

FROM: Robert G. Nunes, Deputy Commissioner and Director of Municipal Affairs

DATE: August 2011

SUBJECT: "What's New in Municipal Law" Seminar

The Division of Local Services Legal Staff will offer the seminar "What's New in Municipal Law" **Friday, September 30, 2011** at The Lantana in Randolph and **Tuesday, October 4, 2011** at Sturbridge Host Hotel and Conference Center in Sturbridge. Presentations will include new legislation and recent court decisions pertaining to local government. This *Bulletin* contains a program description (page 2) and a registration form (page 3).

The general session in the morning will be conducted by attorneys Kathleen Colleary, Chief of the Bureau of Municipal Finance Law, Gary Blau, James Crowley, Donald Gorton, Mary Mitchell and Daniel Murphy. The afternoon session will consist of three simultaneous workshops from 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. These workshops will be small group meetings, led by the Bureau of Municipal Finance Law attorneys.

The attorneys of the Bureau of Municipal Finance Law are specialists in municipal law, particularly in property taxation and finance. The legal staff interprets new laws and responds to the legal concerns of local officials.

A registration fee of **\$50.00 per person** will be charged to cover the cost of the facility, morning refreshments and luncheon. Please contact Donna Quinn at (617) 626-3838 with any questions regarding registration.

I hope you will have the opportunity to join us at this timely and informative seminar.

AGENDA

REGISTRATION: 8:15 AM – 9:00 AM
Continental Breakfast

OPENING REMARKS: 9:00 AM – 9:15 AM
Robert Nunes, Deputy Commissioner of the Division of Local Services

GENERAL SESSION: 9:15 AM - 12:15 PM
WHAT'S NEW IN MUNICIPAL LAW
The Division of Local Services Legal Staff will present the latest from the Legislature and the Courts.

LUNCHEON: 12:15 PM – 1:30 PM
Menu: Salad, Entrée, Chef's Selection of Starch and Vegetables, Coffee/Tea and Dessert

AFTERNOON WORKSHOPS 1:30 PM - 3:00 PM

There are three simultaneous workshops. You may attend one workshop. Please indicate your preference on the attached registration form.

Workshop A **Local Taxes:** A review of local tax issues, including current tax options for economic, renewable energy and other development projects.

Workshop B **Local Finances:** A discussion of current municipal finance and accounting issues.

Workshop C **Local Employees:** An exploration of employment benefit issues, including new legislation on employee and retiree health insurance.

**Morning session legislation and case books will be distributed online before the seminars.
All other materials will be available online after the seminars.**

Please submit your completed registration form along with a check for \$50 made payable to the

Commonwealth of Massachusetts to:

**TRAINING COORDINATOR
DIVISION OF LOCAL SERVICES
PO BOX 9569
BOSTON, MA 02114-9569**

ADVANCED REGISTRATION REQUIRED (NO WALK-INS)
CASH, CREDIT CARDS AND PURCHASE ORDERS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED

RECEIPTS WILL BE PROVIDED FOR ANYONE PAYING BY PERSONAL CHECK.

PLEASE CONTACT DONNA QUINN AT 617-626-3838 WITH ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS SEMINAR

WHAT'S NEW IN MUNICIPAL LAW SEMINAR REGISTRATION FORM

_____	_____	
NAME	POSITION	
_____	(_____)	_____
COMMUNITY OR COMPANY	PHONE NUMBER	E-MAIL ADDRESS

SEMINAR DATES AND LOCATIONS

Please indicate ("X") which location you will be attending

_____ **FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2011**
RANDOLPH, MA
THE LANTANA
43 SCANLON DRIVE
RANDOLPH, MA
781-961-4600
[Directions to The Lantana](#)

_____ **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2011**
STURBRIDGE, MA
STURBRIDGE HOST HOTEL & CONFERENCE CENTER
36 MAIN STREET
STURBRIDGE, MA
508-347-7393
[Directions to Sturbridge Host Hotel & Conference Center](#)

CHECKS MUST BE MADE PAYABLE TO: COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Mail the entire completed form and \$50 registration fee to:

**Training Coordinator
Division of Local Services
PO Box 9569
Boston, MA 02114-9569**

The morning is a general session for everyone. Please choose ("X") one afternoon workshop:

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REGISTRATIONS ARE DUE BY THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2011

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