

TENNESSEE MUNICIPAL ATTORNEYS ASSOCIATION

Winter Seminar Agenda

**8109 Brentwood Library
Concord Road, Brentwood, TN
February 27 and 28, 2025**

Thursday, February 27, 2025

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| 8:00 a.m. -- 8:30 a.m. | Registration and Continental Breakfast |
| 8:30 a.m. -- 9:30 a.m.

(1.0 CLE hours) | <i>Trial Practice Tips and What Ifs</i>
John Day, Attorney
Law Offices of John Day
Brentwood, TN |
| 9:30 a.m. -- 10:45 a.m.
(1.5 CLE Hours) | <i>Home Rule Amendment to TN Constitution</i>
Lora Barkenbus Fox, Brook Fox, Melissa Roberge,
Attorneys, Nashville Metropolitan Government
Nashville, TN |
| 10:45 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. | BREAK |
| 11: a.m. -- 12:00 Noon

(1.0 CLE Hours) | <i>Law and Use of Scheduling Orders</i>
John Day, Attorney
Law Offices of John Day
Brentwood, TN |
| 12:15 p.m. -- 1:30 p.m. | Lunch and Business Meeting |
| 1:30 p.m. -- 3:00 p.m.

(1.5 CLE Hours) | <i>Case Law and Attorney General Opinion Update</i>
Michael Billingsley, Retired City Attorney
Kingsport, TN |
| 3:00 p.m. -- 3:15 p.m. | BREAK |

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3:15 p.m. -- 4:15 p.m. *From Gossip to Grievances: Navigating the Labyrinth
Of Workplace Investigations*
Rachael Rustmann, Attorney
(1.0 CLE Hours) **Constangy, Brooks, Smith and Prophete, LLC**
Brentwood, TN

4:15 p.m. – 5:15 p.m. *Municipal Bond Finance Law, Practices
and Mechanics*
Jeff Oldham, Attorney
(1.0 CLE Hours) **Lillian Blackshear and Betsy Knotts, Attorneys**
Bass Berry & Sims, PLLC
Brentwood, TN

AGENDA: Friday, February 28, 2025

8:00 a.m. -- 8:30 a.m. **Registration and Continental Breakfast**

8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. *Topic 1: He Started It! Defending Section 1983
Use of Force Claims – the Segmented Approach*
*Topic 2: Nuts and Bolts of Statutory Immunity,
Enhancing Your GTLA Defense Toolkit*
(1.5 CLE Hours) **Jeff Goodson and Mark Nolan, Attorneys**
Batson Nolan Attorneys at Law
Clarksville, TN

10:00 a.m. -- 10:15 a.m. **BREAK**

10:15 a.m. -- 11:45 a.m. *Ethics Panel: Discussions of Ethics Issues of Concern*
Laura Chastain, Ethics Counsel, Board of Professional
(1.5 CLE Hours) **Responsibility of the Supreme Court of TN**
Brentwood, TN

End of Program

Total CLE Credit Hours 10.0