34th Annual MAMA Advanced Institute
March 24, 2020
Lansing Center
Lansing MI

9:00am  Welcome – Thomas R. Schultz, MAMA Board President

9:15am  Legislative update.  Chris Hackbarth, Director, State & Federal Affairs, Michigan Municipal League

10:00am  Ordinance Prosecution – Trial Practice Panel Discussion. Jesse O’Jack, Ypsilanti; Eric Williams, Big Rapids and Paul Van Gessel, Wyoming.  Emerging issues in criminal trial practice as relating to ordinance prosecutions, including trial preparation, voir dire and evidentiary challenges faced by municipal prosecutors.

11:00am  Networking Break

11:15am  Police Contact with The Mentally Ill. Holly S. Battersby, Rosati Schultz Joppich & Amtsbuechler, PC.  Law enforcement officers are often asked to aid in matters involving persons with a mental illness.  How aid is provided may carry certain risks to a municipality.  A review of important issues to discuss with your municipality and law enforcement community will be provided.

12:00pm  Lunch – Guest Speaker – To Be Announced

1:15pm  Employment Law Update. Christopher M. Hoffmann, Miller Johnson.  Emerging issues in labor and employment law for municipal law practitioners.

2:15pm  Networking Break

2:30pm  Employment investigations. Nancy Niemela, Keller Thoma, P.C. – How to address grievance investigations and similar employment related investigations for municipal clients.

3:30pm  Cracker Barrel, Hot Topics

4:00pm  Adjourn