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A Message from MCANJ President Denise Cafone

HAPPY and HEALTHY NEW YEARS to All. I hope that everyone had the opportunity to enjoy the holidays with family and friends. I feel the holidays went by way too fast as did the entire year. As I write this message I cannot believe that before we know it Spring will be here and the MCANJ Annual Education Conference will be upon us. The dates for the conference are March 20 through March 23, 2023 at the Hard Rock Casino in Atlantic City. Our conference committee is working hard to secure CEU's in all principles for the Clerks and Registrars, along with CMC and MMC credits. The conference theme is "It's a Small World in Continuing our Education Together". The keynote speaker is going to be great and will have everyone involved. At the League of Municipalities conference there were many Clerks at the Daniel's Law session and we left with so many questions. So, there will be a session at the conference on Daniel's Law giving more updates on the law. On the last day of the conference we will be drawing business card who will be getting a free registration to the 2024 conference. Be sure to stick around, as you must be present to win. Be on the look out for an email blast with the registration link. I look forward to see all you amazing clerks in Atlantic City!



**Conference Information
Edition of the Quill!**



Spotlight Award Recipient Monmouth County Clerk Hanlon

Congratulations to Monmouth County Clerk Christine Giordano Hanlon on receiving MCANJ's Spotlight Award! Christine Giordano Hanlon, Esq. was elected Monmouth County Clerk in November 2015 and was re-elected to a second term in November 2020. Prior to being elected as County Clerk, Christine was Counsel to the law firm of Archer & Greiner, PC. She practiced law for over 20 years and focused her legal practice on government affairs and municipal law. Ms. Hanlon currently serves as President of the Monmouth County S.P.C.A. She is also the Immediate Past President of the Constitutional Officers Association of New Jersey (COANJ) and a Past President of the Monmouth Bar Association. She is a Trustee for the Monmouth Bar Foundation and Monmouth Council of the Boy Scouts of America, and a member of the State of New Jersey Blockchain Task Force. Christine is the recipient of the 2022 Leader of Distinction Award from the Senior Citizens Activities Network (SCAN), the 2021 "Historic Preservation Award" from the Middletown Public Library, the 2020 "Woman of Distinction Award" from the Girl Scouts of the Jersey Shore, the 2020 "Women in American History" Award from the New Jersey State Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution (NJDAR), the 2019 "Silver Gull Award for Government Leadership" from the Monmouth-Ocean Development Council, the 2018 "Person of the Year Award" from the Monmouth County Fraternal Order of Police, Superior Officer's Lodge #30, and the 2017 "Spinnaker Award for Public Service" from the Eastern Monmouth Area Chamber of Commerce. She is also a recipient of both the "Community Ambassador" and "Outstanding Chamber Service Award" from the Ocean Township Chamber of Commerce.

County Clerk Hanlon has launched several new initiatives since becoming County Clerk including the Mobile County Connection, Property Fraud Alert Service, an enhanced ballot tracking system and one of the first mobile elections apps in the State of New Jersey, titled "Monmouth County Votes." She is a staunch believer in voter education and has initiated programs such as "Your Vote Matters" to encourage high school students to become involved in the democratic process and has distributed multiple election instructional videos, brochures and other materials. Congratulations County Clerk Hanlon!

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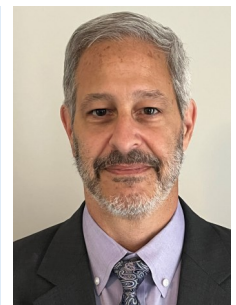
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Retired Clerk-Ocean Township

Monmouth County



Welcoming our Assistant Executive Director

BIOGRAPHY

VINCENT “VINNY” BUTTIGLIERI

Vincent “Vinny” Buttiglieri graduated from Seton Hall University in 1987 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Accounting and Bachelor of Science in Psychology. He began his career as an Auditor for a CPA Firm, then as an Internal Auditor for Midlantic Bank. In 1989, he began employment as an Internal Auditor with the New Jersey Highway Authority. He held that position until 1991 when he moved to the position of Cost and Budget Accountant, a position he held until 2001.

Vinny’s community service began in 1995 when he was elected to the South Plainfield Borough Council. Vinny served as a Councilman until 2000. During that time, Vinny received his Registered Municipal Clerk designation from the Department of Community Affairs. In March 2001, Vinny was appointed as Municipal Clerk in the Borough of South Plainfield. He was subsequently appointed as the Borough Administrator in May 2003 and held both those positions until 2008, when he was appointed the Municipal Clerk and Registrar of Vital Statistics for the Township of Ocean (Monmouth County). In 2011, Vinny received his Certified Tax Collector certification and was also appointed the Deputy Tax Collector for the Township of Ocean. Vinny held the positions of Municipal Clerk and Deputy Tax Collector until his retirement.

In addition to being a member of MCANJ, he joined the International Institute of Municipal Clerks and received both his Certified Municipal Clerk and Master Municipal Clerk designations from IIMC. In 2019, Vinny received his Athenian Fellowship from IIMC (first-ever from New Jersey).

During his 20 plus year career as a Municipal Clerk, Vinny has served the Municipal Clerks’ Association of New Jersey on numerous committees including Conference, Elections, Finance, Laws Affecting Municipal Clerks, Public Relations/Booth, Legal Defense Fund and Information Technology. In 2006, Vinny was elected to the Executive Board of MCANJ and served as President of MCANJ in 2010.

Vinny’s service to our profession did not stop on the State level. In 2011, Vinny was elected as IIMC Region II Director and in 2014, he was elected as IIMC’s Vice President, and ascended to the position of IIMC President in 2016/2017.

At the 2022 IIMC Annual Conference in Little Rock, Arkansas, Vinny was awarded the IIMC’s highest recognition – The Quill Award which recognizes his valuable contributions to the Municipal Clerk profession. Currently Vinny is serving as a Member of the Board of Directors of the IIMC Foundation, the fundraising arm of IIMC. In May 2021, Vinny assumed the position of Treasurer of the IIMC Foundation.



People Page

The People Page is an opportunity for the members of our Association to celebrate each other's achievements both professionally and personally, as well as to share our condolences during times of sorrow. Additionally, when we as Clerks have an opportunity to participate in community events that are afforded to us as a result of our position, it is another example of something to share on the People's Page. Please feel free to share. Send your submissions to the email of: peoplepage@MCANJ.us along with a picture and caption to be included in future editions of the Quill.

RETIREMENTS



In honor of Paterson's City Clerk Sonia Gordon's retirement, Mayor Andre Sayegh, along with members of the City Council, city officials, employees, and Gordon's family and friends gathered at City Hall as she was presented the Key to the City (pictured on the right). After 28 years of service in the Municipal Clerk's Office, and serving approximately 160,000 residents and hundreds of businesses throughout the City of Paterson, Gordon will retire to spend more time with her family. She began her career in 1995 as Assistant to the Municipal Clerk and Paterson City Council, became Deputy City Clerk in 2001, was appointed Acting Clerk in 2014, and was officially appointed City Clerk of the City of Paterson in 2016. Sonia was the first Jamaican-born Municipal Clerk in NJ and possibly the United States. Congratulations Sonia on your retirement! "

Congratulations to Upper Township Municipal Clerk Barbara Young (pictured on the right) on her retirement after 28 years of service to the Township!



On Friday, December 2, 2022, the Gloucester County President, Dina Zawadski, presented Judy O'Donnell (pictured on left) with a proclamation and gift for her upcoming retirement on January 17, 2023. Judy is the Municipal Clerk in the Borough of Pitman, Gloucester County, NJ.

ARE YOU RETIRING?

WE WANT YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION SO YOU CAN STAY INFORMED...

Please accept our CONGRATULATIONS on your pending Retirement.

While you will be enjoying the much-deserved rest and relaxation that retirement brings, wouldn't it also be nice to stay informed of all the News and Events from your colleagues and the MCANJ Association as a whole? We also want to keep you informed.

If you wish to keep up to date with all things MCANJ, please provide the following information to PastPresident@mcanj.us :

- Name
- Position
- Municipality
- Date of Retirement
- Home Address
- Home Telephone Number
- Cell Phone Number
- Home Email

The MCANJ Executive Board wishes you a very happy, healthy and long retirement!!

News/Updates/Transitions

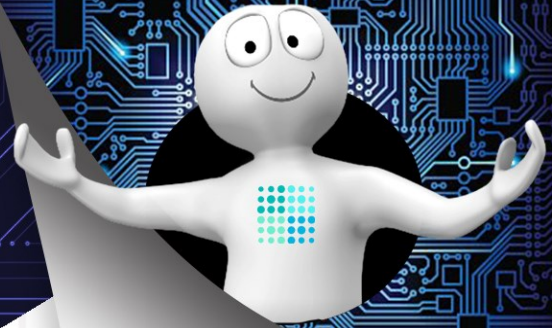


Vita Pamela (Palmieri) Mekovetz, 71, entered into eternal life on Sunday, November 20, at home surrounded by her loving family. Vita retired as Readington Township Administrator and Township Clerk in 2020 after 33 years of dedicated employment. She later returned to work part-time as the Clinton Township Administrator. During her career, she also taught classes for Municipal Clerks at Rutgers University, an opportunity she considered challenging, although she said she loved every minute she spent in the classroom. With deepest sympathy to Vita's family and friends.



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News/Updates/Transitions



Atlantic Cape Community College recently welcomed three new members to its Board of Trustees one being Longport Borough Clerk Monica Kyle (pictured on left). Congratulations Monica!



Ocean County Clerk Scott Colabella is pictured above with Passaic City Deputy Clerk Nawissa Tawech, winner of 2022 Rita Rosenberg Award for an outstanding Deputy Constitutional Officer.

Ocean County Clerk Scott M. Colabella recently received a statewide honor as the recipient of the 2022 Gill Job Award for his public service efforts to the people of Ocean County and the State of New Jersey. The award is given each year by the Constitutional Officers Association of New Jersey (COANJ) to a member who demonstrates the years of dedicated service and hard work repeatedly shown by the award's namesake, Former Bergen County Surrogate Gill Job. Colabella is the only Constitutional Officer in New Jersey to receive both the Gill Job Award and the Rita Rosenberg Award for a deputy Constitutional Officer. Colabella won the Rosenberg Award for outstanding service as Ocean County Deputy County Clerk in 2006. Congratulations Scott!



Florham Borough Clerk Sheila Williams (pictured left) of more than 20 years passed away September 17th surrounded by her family at her home following an 18-month battle with cancer. Our deepest condolences to Sheila's family, friends and co-workers.

Linda A. Giliberti, former Deputy Clerk of Branchburg Township has been appointed as Township Clerk for East Amwell. Congratulations Linda!

Tiffany Crivelli has been appointed as Acting Township Clerk in Kingwood Township. Congratulations Tiffany!



Congratulations to Danielle Lewis who has been appointed as the Municipal Clerk in Florham Park on October 20th.



Ralph D. "Chick" Sternadori passed away on October 27, 2022. Ralph worked as the Clerk-Administrator for Somerville Borough. He retired on April 1, 2007, after dedicating fifty-four years to Somerville, and served ten different Mayors. He was given the honorary title of, "Mr. Somerville" and has had the athletic field at Vanderveer Elementary School and a street in Somerville named in his honor. Our deepest condolences to Ralph's family and friends.

New Jersey State League of Municipalities

November 15-17, 2022 • Atlantic City Convention Center



Executive Director Joel Popkin, Asst. Executive Director Vinnie Buttiglieri, Steve Berry, retired Clerk of Glen Ridge and retired City of Garfield Clerk Drew Pavlica held the fort down at the MCANJ booth during the League greeting passerby's and handing out giveaways. Hope all the Clerks in attendance stopped by the booth to get a special giveaway from MCANJ President Denise Cafone this year!



MCANJ CONFERENCE INFORMATION

MCANJ 2023 Annual Conference Registration Fees:

	<u>Early Registrations Before</u> <u>February 17, 2023</u>		<u>Registrations After</u> <u>February 17, 2023</u>	
	<u>Member</u>	<u>Non-Member</u>	<u>Member</u>	<u>Non-Member</u>
Full Conference *	\$400	\$530	\$450	\$580
2 Days - Tuesday and Wednesday	\$355	\$485	\$405	\$535
2 Days - Wednesday and Thursday	\$340	\$470	\$390	\$520

*Monday Evening, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday

Last Day to Register is February 28, 2023! Payments must be received on or before March 9, 2023.

Please see the following guidelines regarding purchase orders for the Hard Rock Hotel:

Accounts Receivable will need to have your Purchase Order signed and returned in time for your check to be received.

Purchase orders can be emailed to Jessica.diaz@hrhcac.com

Payment needs to be received no later than 30 days before arrival. Accounts Receivable will need to have your check deposited (cleared) and posted to your reservation for a smooth check-in.

Note: When making initial reservation, you will be charged the first night's room rate plus taxes on the credit card provided. When Hard Rock receives the check for that guest's reservation, you will be refunded at that time.

THIS IS A MANDATORY PROCESS.

Following is the address to submit your purchase orders, checks and ST-5 forms:

Hard Rock Hotel & Casino

1000 Boardwalk

Atlantic City, NJ 08401

ATTN: ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE/JESSICA DIAZ

The following is the room night breakdown that is to be paid via Purchase order below:

\$99.00 rm rate

17.00 resort fee

5.00 tourism fee

\$121.00 per night

No checks or purchase orders will be accepted at the Front Desk or after the event!

*HOTEL INFORMATION

Deadline for Hotel Reservations: February 15, 2023

Call 609-449-6860 to reserve and use code: GMC0323



Daniels Law Update-Time to Comply

Since July 12, 2022, the Office of Information Privacy has registered over 4,000 persons who are eligible to apply for redaction protections through the Daniels Law Portal. The Office of Information Privacy has been meeting and working with State, County and Municipal government agencies to support their preparations for compliance with this law. All must comply with Daniels Law by January 12, 2023.

State, County and Municipal government agencies that post residential data on their public facing websites must redact it for Covered Persons who have been approved for redaction by the Office of Information Privacy. The government agencies that post this data must be ready to initiate the redaction process at their levels. The Office of Information Privacy has communicated the need to do two things to prepare for compliance:

- Where does your office post residential info on its public facing websites?
- Select a staff member and at least one back-up to carry out redactor responsibilities.

Who to Appoint as a Redactor?

- OPRA Custodians, Privacy Officers
- Appoint multiple redactors based on type and depth of residential data your agency publicly posts.
- Essential: Redactors must be respectful of the confidentiality of the data to be redacted, mindful of the need to preserve that confidentiality when they identify and redact it, and at all times in the future.

Important: Once you receive a redaction notice from the Office of Information Privacy you only have thirty days to respond and redact.

Support for Redactors:

<https://danielslawredact.nj.gov>

Office of Information Privacy
Department of Community Affairs

609-815-3939

Email: ojp@dca.nj.gov

How to Submit a Redactor Account Request Through the Daniel's Law Portal

This details the process of submitting a redactor account registration request through the Daniel's Law portal page (<https://danielslawredact.nj.gov>). During the registration process, be prepared to provide the following information:

- Occupation/Title (**Required**)
- Valid agency email address (**Required**)
- Telephone # (**Required**)
- Agency Type (County, Municipal, or State) (**Required**)
- Agency address (Including county and municipality) (**Required**)
- Agency main telephone # (**Required**)
- Agency website URL
- Your myNewJersey/MBOS account login information

NOTE: Fields marked “(*)” must be completed or you will not be able to submit an account registration request.

1. Go to the Daniel's Law redactor portal page by entering the following URL into your internet browser: <https://danielslawredact.nj.gov>
2. Click the “Register for a Daniel's Law Redactor Account” button to start the account request process.
3. Review and acknowledge the *User Agreement* by checking the checkbox and clicking the “Click to Proceed with Registration” button.

The image shows three screenshots of the Daniel's Law Portal website. The left screenshot displays the 'Daniel's Law' section with a navigation menu and a 'Register for a Daniel's Law Redactor Account' button. The middle screenshot is a large graphic with the text 'DANIEL'S LAW PORTAL' in white on a dark blue background. The right screenshot shows the 'New Jersey' header with a navigation menu and a 'Statewide' section.

Daniels Law Update-Time to Comply-continued

4. Complete the below fields on the redactor information page. Fields marked “(*)” must be completed or you will not be able to submit an account registration request:

- * First Name
- * Last Name
- Middle Name
- Suffix Name
- * Occupation/Title
- * Agency Email Address
- * Telephone #
- * Agency Type
- * Agency Name
- * Agency Address 1
- Agency Address 2
- * County
- * Municipality
- * Zip Code
- * Agency Main Telephone #
- Agency Website URL
- Comments or Additional Information

5. Enter the verification code displayed to the right of the field. If the code is difficult to distinguish, click the “Get a new code” link to generate a new verification code.

6. Review and acknowledge the two (2) certifications by checking the checkbox for each, after which the “Submit Registration” button will activate. Click the “Submit Registration” button to submit your account request to the Office of Information Privacy (OIP).

7. After creating your Daniel’s Law account, you will be required to link it to your *myNewJersey* account. • If you have an existing *myNewJersey* account, select “Yes” under *Do you have a myNewJersey Logon ID?* and logon to your account. If you do not have a *myNewJersey* account, select “No” under *Do you have a myNewJersey Logon ID?* to create one.

8. After confirming or creating your *myNewJersey* account, a message will display advising that your request has been successfully submitted and a confirmation email has been sent to your email address.

9. You should receive an automated email notification titled “Please confirm your registration” requesting you to verify your email address. Click the hyperlink listed in the message to verify your email address.

10. After verifying your email address, the OIP will review your account request. You will be notified via email if your request has been approved or denied.

11. If your account request is approved, the “*Daniel’s Law - Disclosure Protection Redaction*” role will be displayed in your *myNewJersey* account. The role is a hyperlink that you can click to access the admin site to collect and confirm redaction information.

12. You can also login to the admin site by returning to the Daniel’s Law redactor portal page (<https://danielslawredact.nj.gov>) and clicking the “Daniel’s Law Redactor Account Login” button. You will then be directed to logon to your *myNewJersey* account.

For any questions concerning the Daniel’s Law redactor portal or redactor account registration process, please contact the Office of Information Privacy (OIP) at: OIP@dca.nj.gov



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To purchase, please complete the form below and send it with your check or money order made payable to MCANJ to MCANJ, c/o Vinny Buttiglieri, 1532 Waterford Drive, Edison, NJ 08817. The purchaser will receive a confirming ticket stub in the mail.

HURRY! Don't miss this opportunity to win a great prize.

I/We would like to purchase _____ raffle ticket(s) at \$50.00 each. Enclosed is my/our check/money order in the amount of \$_____.

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Daytime Phone # _____ Email Address _____

IIMC UPDATES

2023 IIMC Annual Conference 2023 - Minneapolis, Minnesota, May 14 - May 17 , 2023



The 77th IIMC Annual Conference will take place in the Loring Park neighborhood of Minneapolis. Loring Park is one of the largest parks in the city and location of the Walker Art Center. Since 1940, the Walker Art Center has been a Minneapolis institution and one of the most visited modern and contemporary art museums in the country. The interdisciplinary exhibits are enriched by a roof-top terrace--with mini golf in the summer, plazas, and gardens. Across the street, the Minneapolis Sculpture Garden is the largest urban sculpture park in the world, featuring some 40 works of contemporary art, including the city's iconic Spoonbridge and Cherry that is open year-round and free to visit. Hotel registration is now open!

MINNEAPOLIS CONFERENCE REGISTRATION PACKAGE AND 4-NIGHTS HOTEL FUNDRAISER

The IIMC Foundation is offering an opportunity to win four nights lodging and one **free** Conference Registration Package for the upcoming conference in Minneapolis, Minnesota, for May 14-17, 2023, valued at \$1,600.

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Entries must be received by February 14, 2023

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Thank you for your support!

2023 IIMC Vice President Election will be held March 6-24, 2023. Watch your email on Monday, March 6, 2023 for your ballot. The candidates are;

- Dawn Abrahamson, MMC, Vallejo, California
- Janice Bates, MMC, Tipp City, Ohio
- Stephen Huycke, CMC, Richmond Hill, Ontario, Canada

Merry Christmas everyone and all the best of a peaceful, healthy & successful 2023.

Diane



Important 2023 Election Dates

Elections:

- Primary Election June 6, 2023
- General Election November 7, 2023

Voter Registration Deadline:

- Primary Election May 16, 2023
- General Election October 17, 2023



Petition Filing Deadlines:

- Primary: Monday, March 27, 2023, petition filing deadline 4:00 PM for June Primary Election-County Candidates with County Clerk-Local/County Committee with Municipal Clerk.
- Independent Candidates: June 6, 2023, petition filing deadline 4:00 PM for County/Municipal Independent Candidates with County Clerk-please call County Clerk for petition and signature requirement.

Party Affiliation:

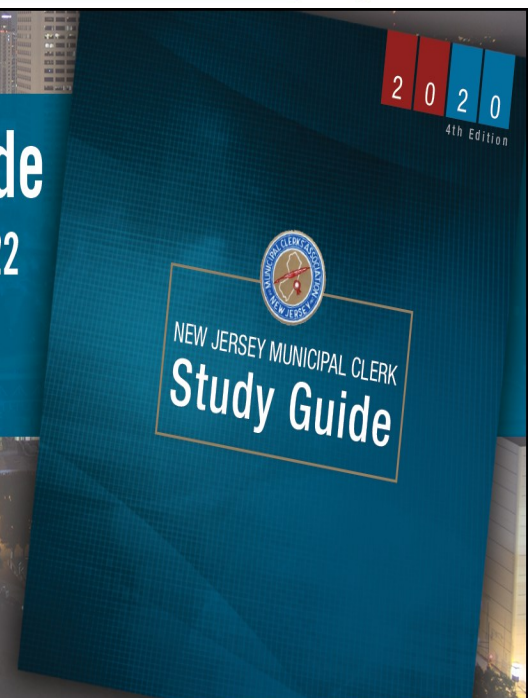
- Wednesday, April 12, 2023, last day to file Party Declaration Forms to change Political Party Affiliation for the June Primary.



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2023 Conference Information

It's a Small World Continuing Our Education Together



The 2023 MCANJ Education Conference at the Hard Rock Hotel/Casino in Atlantic City is slated to be another successful conference. CEU's will be available in all disciplines (including Registrar credits!!) along with credit approval from IIMC. This action packed 3 ½ day conference will afford you the opportunity to attend an Athenian Dialogue (worth 3 IIMC credits) the start of the Conference on Monday, March 20th and the President's Reception is that evening where you can catch up with fellow Municipal Clerks. Below are just some of the exciting sessions that are scheduled so far for the 2023 MCANJ Education Conference:

- 1st Amendment Rights-Learn what to do when someone comes into your office recording your interaction with them. This session will teach you how to be prepared and how to respond to these situations.
- Records Retention Refresher-Karen Perry will be back again to discuss the records retention process and disposals for OPRA's, emails, Artemis, and much more will be explored.
- NJ Government Records Council Guru, Frank Caruso will be providing an overview of the latest OPRA changes along with discussions on various GRC decisions from municipal complaints.
- Updates on the FAST System and what the Municipal Clerk's role is now.
- Is your Municipality having a hard time filling vacancies? Learn about the challenges of hiring a Municipal Clerk, CFO, Tax Assessor, and Tax Collector with such vacancies, options, and statutory guidelines for hiring, appointments, retention, and TENURE!
- The Dream Team of Elections will be returning this year to discuss legislature changes made and what is in store for 2023. This comprehensive elections course is a must for Municipal Clerks to learn about additional election changes that affect how they do their jobs and what information needs to be disseminated to the public.
- Assistant Executive Director/Director of Government Affairs, NJLM, Lori Buckelew will update everyone on the latest information coming out of Trenton.
- Learn the differences of OPRA and Common Law requests
- Learn about P.A.C.O. regulations and what towns can expect during State audits by Anthony Carlos.

On top of attending educational sessions, you will have an opportunity to visit with vendors who can show you the latest and greatest in records retention software, agenda software, forms/office supplies, etc. There will be a tricky tray with AMAZING items to try and win on Wednesday, March 23rd and you will be able to purchase some MCANJ swag to wear . The MCANJ conference is the only place you can buy MCANJ apparel and accessories. New products will be available at this conference that you don't want to miss out on. There will be 50/50 raffle opportunities as well! Proceeds from raffles and clothing sales go towards scholarships and free conference registrations that MCANJ offers to MCANJ members.

****Make sure to bring your business cards for a chance to win prizes from vendors and free 2024 conference registrations!!!!**

**** Those that have passed the RMC in April and October of 2022 will be recognized during the Annual Business Meeting and will receive their RMC pins and a group photo will be taken-we hope all of you can attend!**

A frequent question all of us on the Executive Board are asked is, "What do I wear for the conference?" During the MCANJ conference you are encouraged to wear what you are comfortable in. You want to wear jeans and a sweatshirt-go ahead, you want to wear a suit-go ahead. There is no right or wrong style. On Wednesday evening there is a cocktail party and a dinner reception that attendees do dress up for so plan accordingly.

We can't wait to see you!!!!

2023 MCANJ CONFERENCE KEYNOTE SPEAKER



Ty Bennett

Ty is the founder of Leadership Inc., a speaking and training company with a mission to empower individuals and organizations to challenge their status quo, cultivate exceptional relationships, and compete in extraordinary ways. He's changing lives— one leader at a time.

- At 21, Ty and his brother built a direct sales business to over \$20 million in annual revenues.
- He developed a system and organization that would help over 500 leaders fine-tune their sales and leadership skills in over 37 countries.
- He was featured as one of the *Top 40 Under 40*.
- He was dubbed one of the *10 Coolest Entrepreneurs in Utah*.
- He's the author of three best-selling books.
- He has traversed the world speaking to tens of thousands of audience members transforming the lives, careers, and business practices of leaders from some of the most recognizable brands in the world such as: Coca-Cola, Subway, Blue Cross Blue Shield and RE/MAX.
- Ty's best-selling books – *Partnership is the New Leadership*, *The Power of Influence: Increase Your Income and Personal Impact* and *The Power of Storytelling: The Art of Influential Communication* – are used in graduate courses at multiple universities including MIT, as today's version of "How to Win Friends and Influence People."
- He's one of the youngest speakers ever to receive the CSP Designation from the National Association of Speakers – less than 5% of the world's speakers earn this honor.
- He's a husband and a father and he's PASSIONATE about helping leaders cultivate the relevance and influence they need to challenge old ways and open new doors.

As a keynote speaker, Ty is a fresh voice with a fun and engaging style. Ty is a storyteller and will engage your people in a conversation on how they can take their leadership to the next level. He brings real world leadership experience as well as case studies from the hundreds of companies he works with each year to share specific strategies that will make your leaders more relevant.

MCANJ MEMBER SPOTLIGHT AWARD

Do you know a Municipal Clerk, Acting Municipal Clerk, Deputy Municipal Clerk, Assistant Municipal Clerk, County Clerk, Deputy County Clerk, Commissioner Clerk or a Deputy Commissioner Clerk who is a current member of MCANJ (Municipal Clerks' Association of New Jersey) and they bring positive attention to the role of "Clerk"? They are eligible for nomination!!!! We want to recognize a MCANJ member who promotes their position as "Clerk" through civic activities and events in their work or home community that is outside the scope of their normal duties and responsibilities. Nominees who are selected for recognition will be announced through electronic communications and posted on the Municipal Clerks' Association of New Jersey website. So if you know a fellow Clerk who has been doing amazing things, go to the MCANJ website at www.njclerks.org, fill out the Spotlight Nomination Form and send it to Denise Cafone at president@mcanj.us so we can all celebrate this achievement!!

MCANJ Membership Summary as of December 9, 2022

County	Total # of Municipalities	Total # of Municipalities Paid	% Paid
Atlantic	23	17	74
Bergen	70	47	67
Burlington	40	32	80
Camden	37	21	57
Cape May	16	10	63
Cumberland	14	7	50
Essex	22	19	86
Gloucester	24	18	75
Hudson	12	5	42
Hunterdon	26	22	85
Mercer	12	8	67
Middlesex	25	21	84
Monmouth	53	38	72
Morris	39	25	64
Ocean	33	24	73
Passaic	16	13	81
Salem	15	9	60
Somerset	21	17	81
Sussex	24	14	58
Union	21	15	71
Warren	22	10	45

LDF Seminar held on December 7, 2022 in Woodbridge

The Legal Defense Fund held their yearly seminar on December 7th in Woodbridge. Approximately 75 Municipal Clerks were in attendance and listened to Jonathan Frodella, Esq. who serves as special counsel to municipalities and other government agencies for matters arising under the New Jersey Open Public Records Act (“OPRA”) and the common-law right of access to public records. Municipal Clerks were able to have candid and open discussions with Mr. Frodella and each other as to questions they had and scenarios that they have been presented with. Mr. Frodella is currently working with lawmakers on modifying ORPA and took recommendations from those in attendance as to changes they would like to see regarding OPRA. The second speaker for the seminar was Armando Riccio, Esq. who specializes in employment law. Mr. Riccio spoke about the ever changing employment practices and liabilities that municipalities face. This session covered the hottest topics in employment as well as the impact of recent court and agency decisions and legislative and regulatory changes. Attendees got to test their knowledge of these topics while playing along with an interactive phone app called Kahoot for some friendly competition. Thank you to everyone who came out for this seminar. Hope to see you all again next year!



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No Pain, No Gains: The Good Stuff Doesn't Come

Easy

By Chip Gaines

A New York Times bestseller! In a world that feels increasingly disconnected, it's time to reclaim a life of rich, authentic connection—because we are all made better when we trust one another and work together.

In his most vulnerable book to date, Chip Gaines opens up about his lifelong pursuit of building relationships with people from all walks of life. Chip emphasizes the importance of seeing people for who they are and not for what they can do for you, enabling you to build a strong community and a life of meaning, joy, and connection.

How does it happen? By being intentional about choosing the company you keep. Chip explains the value of seeking out people who are electrified by living according to their purpose, who will stand beside you as you tackle new challenges and who bet on each other instead of the status quo. The key is being true to yourself, figuring out what you want to do with your life and finding people who will lift you up along the way.

A good life doesn't always come easy, but that's because the good stuff never does. It requires faith in people. It requires faith in yourself. It requires hope. And it requires a willingness to grow even when it hurts.

All participants must purchase and read the book prior to the session.

Continuing Education Credits:

3 CMC/MMC Points with completed assessment

RMC Prof. Dev. Credits are pending review

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Hard Rock Hotel & Conference Center

Monday, March 20, 2023

8:30am-4:00pm

Facilitator: Michele Bobrowski, MMC

Registration Fee: \$120

Onsite registration is not permitted

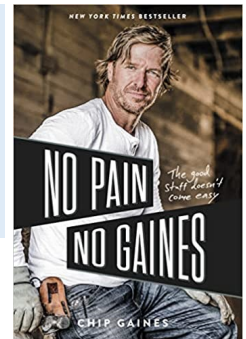
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Registration Information:

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Withdrawal:

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Visit www.njclerks.org to apply for an Athenian Scholarship!! MCANJ awards two Athenian Scholarships a year up to \$150.00. What a great way to experience your first Athenian Dialogue while attending the 2023 Conference! Come spend the day with your fellow Municipal Clerks in a casual, open discussion setting with one another and leaving with empowerment of one's self and bettering your career!

Come see what you have been missing and earn "3" CMC/MMC Credits!!



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The Real Elizabeth: An Intimate Portrait of Queen Elizabeth II

By Andrew Marr

Elizabeth II, one of England's longest-reigning monarchs, is an enigma. In public, she confines herself to optimistic pieties and guarded smiles; in private, she is wry, funny, and an excellent mimic. Now, for the first time, one of Britain's leading journalists and historians gets behind the mask and tells us the fascinating story of the real Elizabeth.

Born shortly before the Depression, Elizabeth grew up during World War II and became queen because of the shocking abdication of her uncle and the early death of her father. Only twenty-five when she ascended to the throne, she has been at the apex of the British state for nearly six decades. She has entertained and known numerous world leaders, including every U.S. president since Harry Truman. Brought up to regard family values as sacred, she has seen all but one of her children divorce; her heir, Prince Charles, conduct an adulterous affair before Princess Diana's death; and a steady stream of family secrets poured into the open. Yet she has never failed to carry out her duties, and she has never said a word about any of the troubles she has endured.

All participants must purchase and read the book prior to the session. Spend the day with your fellow Municipal Clerks sipping tea, wearing your favorite royal hat, and be a royal for the day!

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Rutgers Lifelong Learning Center

3 Rutgers Plaza, New Brunswick

Friday, April 28, 2023

9:00am-4:30pm

Facilitator: Michele Bobrowski, MMC

Registration Fee: \$143

Onsite registration is not permitted

Lunch will be provided

Registration Information:

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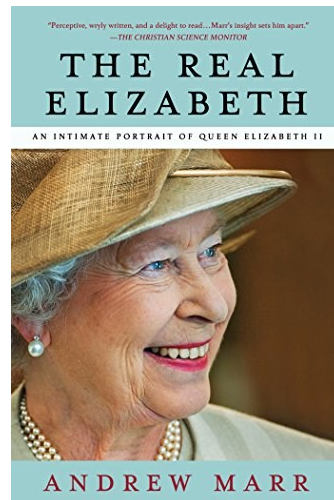
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