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The deadline for the January 2021 issue is December 15, 2020.

EDITOR'S NOTE

This edition contains a record number of New Jersey Supreme Court cases. The end of the term coincided with the social distancing requirements of the pandemic. Our case abstracts show how the court resolved some interesting issues.

The Legislature was also prodigious. Our Legislative Editor and Scott Miccio, a contributing writer, have summarized the legislation of interest to local government attorneys at page [228](#)

We present for your consideration, the following articles:

- [Anticipating Applications for Small Cell Wireless Facilities](#) by William J. Kaufmann, Esq., counsel to Parker McKay. A topic that we anticipate discussing at an Institute continuing education seminar in February. For the January issue we would love to have another article dealing with the practical experiences of our members in drafting ordinances, licensing agreements, etc.
- [Municipal Ward Commissions in New Jersey](#) by Kenneth L. MacRitchie, Esq., an attorney and accountant who has written for us before in his 1996 article about interest on assessments. New Jersey has 64 municipalities divided into wards. Every ten years after the decennial census the boundaries of the wards have to be revisited and reapportioned if necessary. This article presents a description of the process, some history, some law and some recommendations about the process.

- [Supreme Court Review for Local Governments](#) by Lisa Sorenson of the State and Local Legal Center. This is the review we publish annually in October reviewing the previous term of the Supreme Court. One of the cases summarized is *Kelly v. United States* involving the criminal prosecutions arising from “Bridgegate.” The article contains a hyperlink to the court’s opinion if you haven’t seen it already.

The League will be held virtually this year from November 16-20. The Institute will be presenting a lineup of programs. But things are in flux so the League website, www.njlm.com does not have the official schedule for us yet. Go to the website to register for the programs.

Again, we encourage you to consider submitting an article that qualifies for the \$1,000 Walter T. Wittman Prize in writing. To qualify you now have until September 15, 2021 to submit an article to us. We would welcome point-counterpoint articles on important positions. But don't wait. We have three issues before the deadline. Please consider any interesting topic and contact us about it by email to dunn62@optonline.net.

Electronic copies of back issues of *The Local Government Law Review* from 2010 onward can be found in the Members Only section of the Institute’s website (www.njilga.org). If you need a copy of materials from the Local Government Law Review published before 2010, you may email a request to trishka@mqlaw.com.

Finally, in the final issue of 2020, we offer again the words of our last editor, Michael Pane, "May you have Happy Holidays and great appointments!"

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