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The deadline for the April 2023 issue is March 15, 2023.

MANAGING EDITOR'S NOTE

As we begin a new year, it is important to look backwards to our successes and forward to new goals. This is the first edition for us to stand on our own without the assistance of Tom Dunn, much to our fear and to Tom's relief. All of us are extremely lucky to have Tom's guidance and input, but eventually the baby bird must fly on its own. This past year we have succeeded in adding several high-quality editors to our ranks as well as a fantastic assistance in the final production part of the Review. I am very lucky to have them dedicate numerous hours and endure my never-ending emails to get their tasks completed timely. Looking forward, I hope to renew our focus on having a curated thoughtful article each quarter on a matter involving municipal law. Topics are plentiful considering the various issues we face in our type of practice. Writing an article is not only helpful to your fellow attorneys but increases your own profile and who doesn't want to do that! Article topics range from cannabis businesses, public employee discipline, property taxation, and OPRA requests.

Speaking about OPRA, ACLU v. County Prosecutors Association, an Appellate Division decision, is included in full in this edition. The decision came out after cases summaries were assigned but as this is a significant case for the applicability of OPRA to public entity associated entities we felt the need to include it. Most importantly, the Court gives parameters as to how far OPRA can go. It certainly seems like this is the type of opinion which would make a nice basis for an article if one were so inclined.

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, 2023, to submit an article to us. We would welcome any articles concerning the legal issues effecting local governments. Contact us about it by email to joe@friendwenzel.com.

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