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The deadline for the Winter 2023 issue is December 15, 2023.

MANAGING EDITOR'S NOTE

A very special welcome to our newest editor, Nicholas Sullivan. Nick had expressed interest in helping out with the Law Review and I shove him right into the proverbial lion's den by having him assist our intrepid editors Jameson Van Eck and Samantha Castrelos in reviewing and polishing the case summaries. No easy task and one that I am grateful to avoid! Nick comes to us from South Jersey (apparently not all municipal attorneys are in Essex County who knew) where he represents many communities in and around Camden County. I am convinced he will make a great addition to the team and thank him in advance for his service.

The League of Municipalities Annual Convention is an excellent opportunity for all of us to not only enjoy camaraderie of our colleagues but also to gain new insight into the complex nature of our work in the municipal law field. NJILGA is sponsoring several seminars on issues as diverse as ethics, labor law, tax appeals, zoning, and tort claim defense. I strongly suggest that all of our readers attend as many of these seminars as possible to show support for the people who make up our organization.

One specific seminar I think that everyone should attend is on cannabis. Actually, there are four (4) separate seminars that you can attend on cannabis so no excuse for not going to at least one of these. Our clients are either municipalities that allow some version if not all types of cannabis business or outright prohibit them. Nevertheless, a border drawn on a map 100 years ago does not equate to ignoring the implications of this new and burgeoning business model. Everyone from chief financial officers to police chiefs are still working out the practical day-to-day on the

ground decision making required for cannabis business operations and more importantly for cannabis use. Hearing from the experts makes us better prepared to deal with our local complications as they arise.

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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