

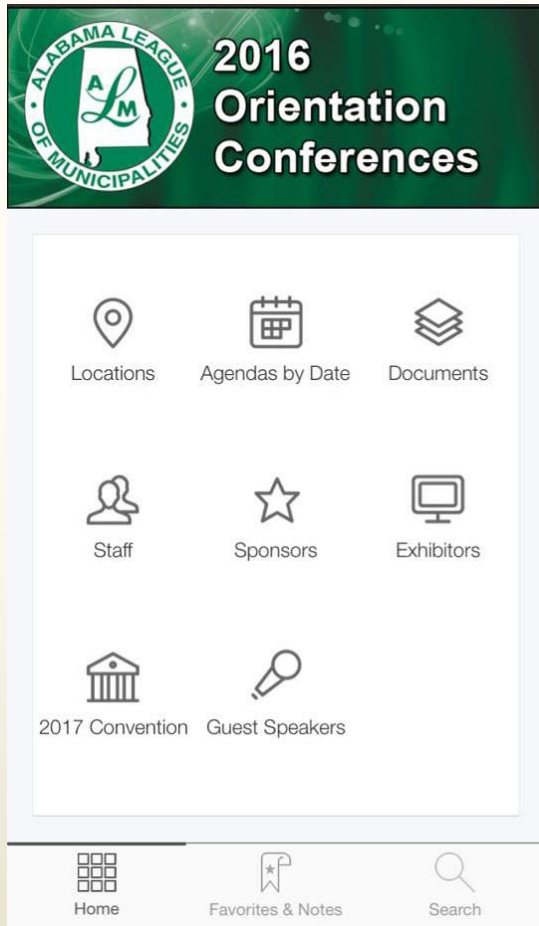


# League Special Programs



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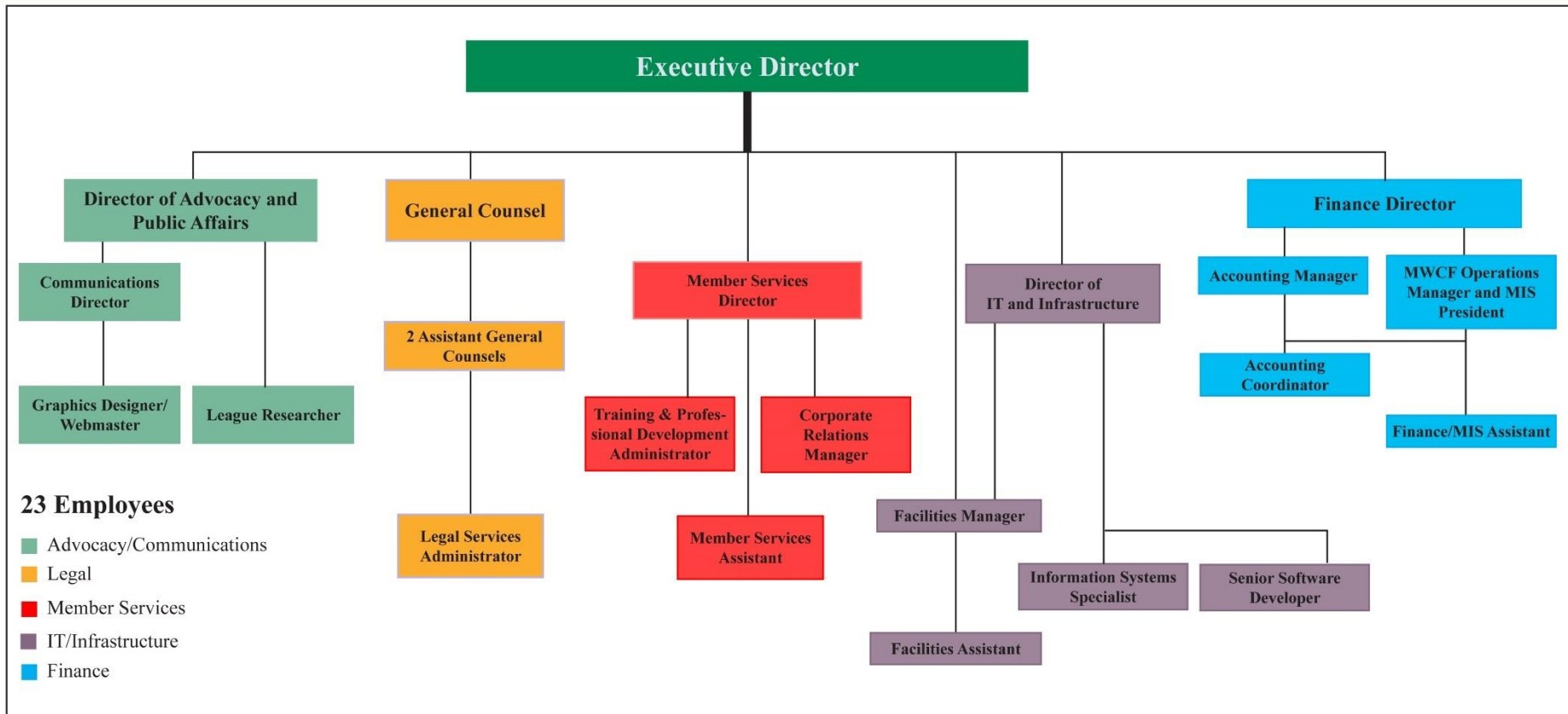


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To download, search for “ALM Events” in the iTunes App Store or Google Play.



# Organizational Structure



# www.alalm.org



The screenshot shows the homepage of the Alabama League of Municipalities website. At the top left is the ALM logo and the text "Serving Alabama's Municipalities since 1935". A navigation menu includes links for Home, About the League, Legislative Advocacy, Legal Services, Training & Resources, Publications & Advertising, and Insurance/Financial Services. Below the navigation are several content blocks: "Sign up for E-Newsletters HERE", "Quick Links" with links to Municipal Directory, Municipal Websites, County Websites, League Calendar, Municipal Marketplace, Classified Ads, and Local Newspaper Links; "Current Journal" with a link to view the current issue; "ALM Social Media" with Facebook and YouTube icons; "2016 Elections Manual" with a "Now Available HERE" call to action; "200 ALABAMA BICENTENNIAL Form Yours Today!" with a "Click HERE for more information" call to action; "2016 Orientation Conferences for Elected Officials and Municipal Personnel" with a "Click HERE for more information" call to action; "Timely Topics" featuring a "2016" graphic and a link to a PDF of key PowerPoint slides; "Important Changes to Municipal Police and Planning Jurisdictions" with a link to a Police Jurisdiction Bulletin; "Firearms Law - Municipal Requirements" with a link to Alabama's Immigration Law; and "After the Storm: Dealing with Natural Disasters" with a link to a Sample Emergency Operations Plan.

Important notices and news items, information about upcoming meetings and conferences, links to *The Alabama Municipal Journal*, League departments, League staff, affiliate groups and **MANY** municipal resources!

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# Like us on Facebook!



[www.facebook.com/ALALM](http://www.facebook.com/ALALM)

For timely information about ALM's legislative endeavors; League events such as upcoming CMO sessions , policy committee meetings, annual convention and national conferences; and articles of interest for municipal officials and employees.

**Facebook is also where ALM posts photos from events you can download, share and save!**



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# Weekly Updates



## This Week From the League



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FALL 2016 Risk Management  
Solutions Newsletter



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Read the latest issue of the  
Alabama Municipal Journal

"This Week from the League" is a service provided as part of your municipality's membership with the Alabama League of Municipalities.

**ALM Orientation Conferences for Elected Officials and Municipal Personnel have been scheduled for Nov 1, 3, 9 and 10! Download FREE Conference App, "ALM Events," from iTunes or Google Play!**

Choose from four dates/locations:

- Tuesday, November 1, Arthur R. Outlaw Convention Center, Mobile
- Thursday, November 3, Embassy Suites, Montgomery
- Wednesday, November 9, Von Braun Center, Huntsville
- Thursday, November 10, Birmingham-Jefferson Convention Complex, Birmingham.

Topics include: The League and Your Municipality, Working with the State Legislature, Finance and Budgeting, Your Duties and Authority, Conducting Effective Council Meetings and The Municipal Year Ahead. This conference has been approved for five (5) Basic, Advanced or Emeritus hours in the [Certified Municipal Official Program](#). Any municipal employee may register, but only elected officials will be awarded credit hours in the CMO Program. CMO core curriculum credit will not be awarded for attending this session. Each session is a full day – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Cost is \$125 per person and includes lunch and materials. Register online [HERE](#). Also, be sure to download our **FREE** app for full program, links to session handouts, ALM staff bios and League information! To download, search for "ALM Events" in the iTunes App Store or Google Play.

### The Bloom Group, Inc. Welcomes New Associate



The Bloom Group, Inc., one of Alabama's most respected governmental affairs firms, announces Garrett Jemison, former state director for Senator Richard Shelby, as the firm's newest associate. For almost 30 years, the state's premier governmental relations firm has been advocating for its clients and reaping real results. Now, with the addition of Jemison, this team of experienced professionals has gotten even stronger. Jemison, a Montgomery native, brings his strategic planning skills, his detailed understanding of the interface of business and government, expertise in campaign fundraising and messaging, and a long-standing relationship with Alabama's Congressional Delegation to bear on behalf of The Bloom Group's clients.

Do you know  
what's happening  
*This Week?*

**We do.**

# Legislative Advocacy



ALM Newsletter  
State House Advocate - May 14, 2012

## State House Advocate

From the League



ALABAMA This Week at the Legislature

**Editor's note:** *State House Advocate* is published weekly during each legislative session. This will be the final issue of *State House Advocate* for the 2012 Regular Session. Please continue to read *This Week from the League* (distributed on Tuesdays) for updates from the League.

### Final Day of the Regular Session

The Legislature will return to Montgomery Wednesday morning for their final day of the 30-day regular session. We expect Governor Bentley will announce a special session to begin Thursday for consideration of the reapportionment proposals offered by [Senator Dial](#) and [Representative McClendon](#).

### Two League Bills in Position for Final Passage

The League has two bills on the House special order calendar and in position for final passage.

- SB328 by Senator Brewbaker is on the House Calendar. HB328 would clarify existing law as to how a Class 7 or 8 municipality with a population greater than 12,000 would fill a vacancy for mayor.
- SB373 by Senator Beason is on the House Calendar. HB373 would establish procedures for public notification in advance of a cancellation of a scheduled meeting.

#### Action Links

- [ALISON](#)
- [Text of the Bills](#)
- [Contacts for the House](#)
- [Contacts for the Senate](#)
- [Governor's Office](#)
- [League Legislative page](#)

Legislative questions?  
Contact:  
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**State House Advocate** is emailed to ALM members on Monday afternoons when the Legislature is in session and highlights upcoming legislative issues, details any actions needed by our members and provides links to ALLISON, Senate and House contacts, text of bills and legislative information posted on the League's website.

# Municipal Journal

6 times per year



The Alabama Municipal JOURNAL  
September/October 2016 Volume 74, Number 2

**Poised for Progress:**  
Guin's Long View for Industrial Growth and Retail Development  
See p. 7

The Alabama Municipal JOURNAL  
November/December 2016 Volume 74, Number 3

**Humble Beginnings**

**Also in this issue - Resources for Developing Your Long View:**  
Structuring and Incentivizing Commercial Development, Why Wastelands Matter to Your Community, Wage and Salary Regulation Changes and articles from ADECA, USDA Rural Development, ADOR, ACE, Main Street Alabama, DesignAlabama, ShopAlabama, Alabama Small Business Commission and more!

The image shows two covers of The Alabama Municipal Journal. The left cover is for the September/October 2016 issue (Volume 74, Number 2) and features a collage of images including a modern building, a man in a blue shirt, and a historical marker for the City of Guin, Alabama. The right cover is for the November/December 2016 issue (Volume 74, Number 3) and features a black and white photograph of two men in suits standing in front of a building with a sign that reads "ALABAMA LEAGUE OF MUNICIPALITIES".

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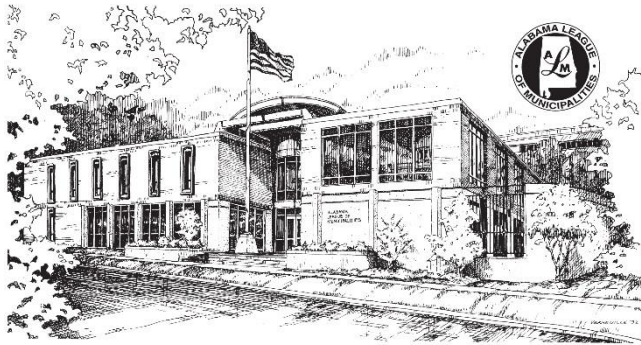


# Digital Publications



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The League began publishing *The Handbook for Mayors and Councilmembers* in 1948.

*Selected Readings for the Municipal Official* was first published in 1972.

Both publications are updated every four years following the municipal election cycle and then digitally provided to every elected official, municipal clerk and municipal attorney.

# Become a Certified Municipal Official!



In 1994, the League established its voluntary Certified Municipal Official (CMO) program to provide formal municipal government training to mayors and councilmembers.



Officials who earn 40 credit hours in the program are awarded the designation of **Certified Municipal Official (CMO)**. **Advanced** certification is earned with an additional 40 credit hours.



The CMO **Emeritus** designation is awarded to officials who have acquired a minimum of 120 credit hours of Continuing CMO Education plus 15 points.



# Municipal Attorneys and Judges



## **Alabama Association of Municipal Attorneys**

Established in 1992

Municipal attorneys and  
prosecutors

## **Alabama Municipal Judges Association**

Established in 2007

Municipal judges

Joint legal training twice a year.

Administered by the League.

# Municipal Revenue Service



**Begun in 1942**

**Collects delinquent  
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taxes**

**Used by more than  
300 municipalities**

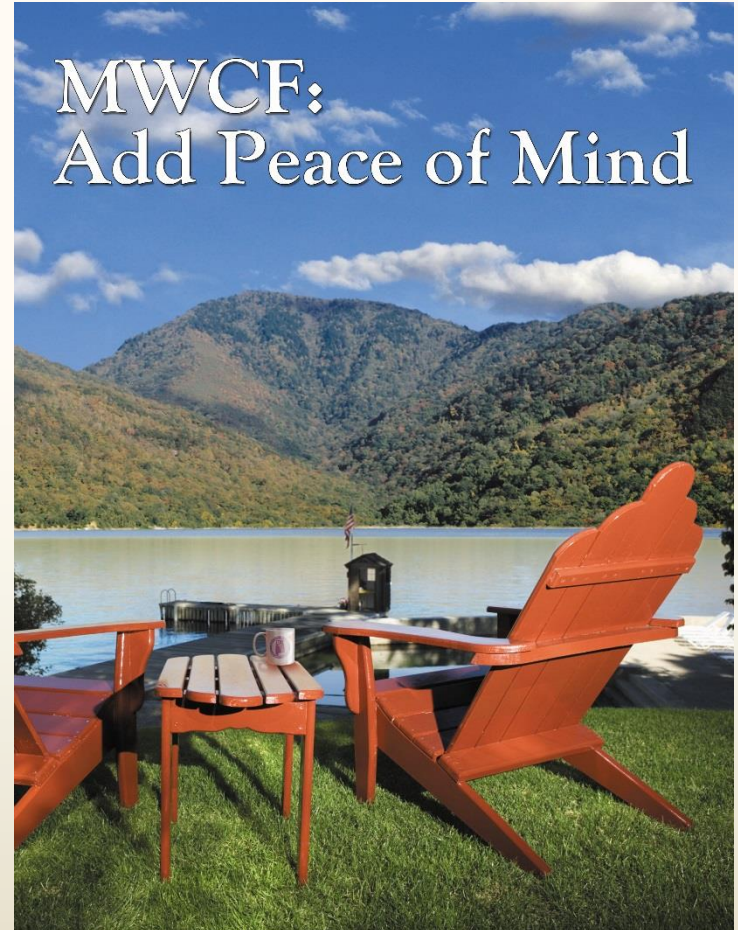
# [www.almwcf.org](http://www.almwcf.org)



**Established in 1976; second-oldest program in the country**

**Member-owned pool provides workers compensation insurance to nearly 600 members**

**Membership includes municipalities, housing authorities, utility boards and state agencies organized under statutory authority of the State of Alabama.**



**Serving municipalities since 1976**

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**Established in 1989**

**Writes all lines of insurance including:**

**Auto, Bonds, Property**

**Commercial General Liability**

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**Insuring the Future of Local Government**



# [www.losscontrol.org](http://www.losscontrol.org)



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## Alabama's ONLY state tax refund municipal debt recovery program



In 2014 the Alabama Legislature enacted an amendment allowing municipalities and counties to attempt to recover delinquent debts owed by individuals to local governments by collecting this debt from the individual's state tax refund. As part of the 2014 legislation, the Alabama Department of Revenue (ADOR) agreed to process these debts through only two clearinghouse entities: the Alabama League of Municipalities (ALM) for municipal entities and the Association of County Commissions of Alabama (ACCA) for county entities.

In 2015, ALM formed Municipal Intercept Services, LLC (MIS) as its clearinghouse entity to act as a conduit between participating Alabama municipal entities and the ADOR. **The MIS system only exists as the conduit between participating entities and ADOR and is designed to complement any existing collection efforts.**

# Endorsed Programs



**Cable Television Franchise Management Service** provides technical assistance to cities relating to cable television franchise management.

**Model City Ordinance Review Program** uses the expertise of law students working through the Alabama Law Institute to revise municipal ordinances for small communities & towns.

**US Communities Government Purchasing Alliance** provides high quality government contracts to all U.S. local governments, giving municipalities the opportunity to piggyback on competitively bid contracts; take advantage of the enormous collective purchasing power of public agencies nationwide; and leverage these savings to their own advantage.

**CGI Streaming Video** offered at no cost to municipalities and specially designed to streamline communication and strengthen communities.

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