

**ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING OF THE
MUNICIPAL CLERKS' ASSOCIATION OF NEW JERSEY
MONDAY, APRIL 27, 2015
Tropicana Hotel & Casino, Atlantic City, NJ**

1. **Call to Order and Welcome:** President John Mitch called the meeting to order at 10:30AM.
2. **Flag Salute:** Executive Director Joel Popkin led the attendees in the Salute to the Flag.
3. **Invocation:** Past President Andrew Pavlica presented the invocation.
4. **Roll Call of Officers:**
The following members of the Executive Board were present for the meeting:
President, John Mitch
1st Vice President, Keith Kazmark
2nd Vice President, Denise Szabo
Treasurer, Dina Zawadski
Secretary, Kevin Galland
Immediate Past President, Nancy Saffos
Executive Director, Joel Popkin
Association's Counsel, Richard Lustgarten, Esq.
5. **Approval of Minutes** – MCANJ Annual Business Meeting of November 20, 2013. Motion made by Vincent Buttiglieri, Municipal Clerk, Ocean Township, seconded by Kathleen Cunningham, Municipal Clerk, Cranbury Township, and unanimously approved by voice vote; the minutes of the MCANJ November 20, 2013 Annual Business Meeting were approved.
6. **Introduction of Candidates & Election for 2015-2016**, Secretary Kevin Galland introduced Diane Pflugfelder, Municipal Clerk, Township of Liberty. Ms. Pflugfelder presented her biography and credentials.
7. **Presentation to William Dressel, Executive Director, New Jersey State League of Municipalities.** President Mitch presented, on behalf of the Municipal Clerks' Association of New Jersey, the President's Special Services Award to Mr. Dressel and acknowledged all of his accomplishments that he has achieved over his some four decades of service to local government and his special relationship with the MCANJ through-out the years.
8. **Reports:**
Treasurer: Treasurer Dina Zawadski reported the MCANJ Account Balances as of April 13, 2015 are as follows:

Account Name	4/13/2015 Balance	Pending Transactions	Available Balance
Scholarship	\$11,861.50		\$11,861.50
Raffle	\$1,725.00		\$1,725.00
Operating	\$99,910.64	\$0.00	\$99,910.64

Total Available Balance of Deposit Accounts \$113,497.14

Balance in the Certificate of Deposit in the current account is \$105,534.00 as of April 1, 2015

Treasurer Dina Zawadski reported and provided the Membership Report – as of April 23, 2015 there are 892 Members in the Association, with a break-down as follows:

CATEGORY	TOTAL
Full – Municipal Clerk	536
Affiliate – All Others	47
Honorary Membership (Retired)	48
Full – Clerk of Freeholder Board	2
Associate – Assistant Municipal Clerk	24
Associate – Deputy Municipal Clerk	207
Full – Acting Municipal Clerk	23
Associate – Deputy County Clerk	3
Full- County Clerk	2
GRAND TOTAL	892

Motion made by Doreen Cali, Municipal Clerk, Borough of Roselle, seconded by Sandra Bohinski, Municipal Clerk, Borough of Helmetta, and unanimously approved by voice vote; the Treasurer’s report was accepted by the membership.

9. **Proposed Constitution and Bylaws Amendments:** Eileen Gore, Chair of the Constitution and Bylaws Committee, Municipal Clerk, Township of Hamilton, reviewed the proposed changes to the Association’s Bylaws and Constitution.

EXPLANATION: Matter UNDERLINED thus is new matter. Matter contained in BRACKETS (thus) is to be omitted.

MUNICIPAL CLERKS’ ASSOCIATION OF NEW JERSEY, INC.
CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS

CONSTITUTION
ARTICLE I

Section 4. Fiscal Year

The fiscal year of the Corporation shall be July 1-June30.

Section (4) 5. Dissolution

Upon the dissolution of this Association, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future Federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the Federal government or to a State or local government, for a public purpose.

ARTICLE III- OFFICERS

Section 6. Indemnification of Officers

2. The Association shall indemnify an officer against liability for any settlement, judgement, fines or penalties to the extent that the officer has been successful on the merits of the matter or otherwise in any proceeding (referred to) which in the judgement of the Association, the officer has met the standards set forth in subsection 1.A. and 1.B. above, or in defense of any claim, issue or matter therein.

- a. Indemnification for liability for any settlement, judgment, fines or penalties in any case not described in paragraphs 1.A. or 1.B. Hereof, may be made by the Association only as authorized in a specific case upon a determination that indemnification is (prior) appropriate in the circumstances because the officer met the applicable standard of conduct set forth in subsections 1.A. 1.B. above. Said determination shall be made by the Executive Board as constituted under Article IV, Section 1. of this Constitution, except that no officer seeking indemnification shall participate in any manner whatsoever.

ARTICLE IV – COMMITTEES

Section 2. Advisory Board

1. ...
 - A. The Annual Meeting shall be held during the Annual Education Conference (March or April), at the call of the President. There shall be no fewer than (at least) three (3) Advisory Board Meetings held during the fiscal year (at the discretion of the President) for which the date and location shall be determined by the President.
 - B.

10. ARTICLE VI – ELECTIONS

Section 1. Nominations

- 2. All candidates shall have tenure of office, shall have experience and training for that office, shall have received the (degree) certification of Registered Municipal Clerk (RMC), and shall be actively employed as a Municipal Clerk.

BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I – MEETINGS

Section 1.

The Annual Business Meeting shall be held in conjunction with the Annual Education Conference (March or April) at the call of the President. There shall be no fewer than (at least) three (3) Advisory Board Meetings held during the fiscal year (at the discretion of the President) for which the date and location shall be determined by the President.

ARTICLE V – RULES OF ORDER

Section 1.

Robert's Rules of Order shall govern all proceedings insofar as they are not inconsistent with the Constitution and Bylaws.

(REPEALER) EFFECTIVE DATE

Section 1.

These Bylaws, as amended shall become effective (March 27, 2014) April 27, 2015.

(Section 2.)

(All sections of the Bylaws of this Corporation that are inconsistent with these Bylaws be and they are hereby repealed.)

Motion made by Sharon Brienza, Municipal Clerk, Township of Branchburg, seconded by Kim-Marie White, Municipal Clerk, Township of Eastampton, and unanimously approved by voice vote, the proposed amendments to the by-laws were approved by the membership.

- 10. **Recognition of 2014-2015 Committee Chairs:** President John Mitch recognized the Committee Chairs and thanked them for their efforts and support over the past sixteen months of service to the Association.

Constitution and Bylaws: EILEEN GORE, Chair, Municipal Clerk, Township of Hamilton

Education: JOANNE KWASNIEWSKI, Chair, Municipal Clerk, Borough of Fair Lawn

Education Conference: SHARON BRIENZA, Co-Chair, Municipal Clerk, Township of Branchburg and HEATHER MAILANDER, Co-Chair, Municipal Clerk, Village of Ridgewood

Elections: JANE WILLIAMS-WARREN (Retired), Chair, Municipal Clerk, City of Paterson

Fundraising: DOREEN CALI, Co-Chair, Municipal Clerk, Borough of Roselle Park

Information Technology/Web Page: DAINA DALE, Chair, Municipal Clerk, Borough of Harvey Cedars

Legal Defense Fund: SHARON BRIENZA, Chair, Municipal Clerk, Township of Branchburg

Legislative Committee for Laws Pertaining to the Municipal Clerk's Profession: KIM-MARIE WHITE, Chair, Municipal Clerk, Township of Eastampton

Manual Review: JOEL POPKIN, Coordinator, Executive Director, MCANJ; DEANNA BENNETT, Editor, Municipal Clerk, Borough of Haddonfield

Membership North: ANDREW J. PAVLICA, Chair, Municipal Clerk, City of Garfield

Membership Central: CECILIA COVINO, Chair, Municipal Clerk, Township of Clinton

Membership South: DENISE BROUSE, Chair, Municipal Clerk, Borough of Merchantville

Past Presidents' Council: ANDREW J. PAVLICA, Chair, Municipal Clerk, City of Garfield

Professional Development and Mini Conference: JOANNE KWASNIEWSKI, Chair, Municipal Clerk, Borough of Fair Lawn

North: DIANE M. PFLUGFELDER, Municipal Clerk, Township of Liberty

Central: ANN MARIE MCCARTHY, Municipal Clerk, Township of Franklin (Somerset) and NENNETTE PERRY, Municipal Clerk, Township of East Brunswick

South: PATRICIA FRONTINO, Municipal Clerk, Borough of Glassboro and

SUSAN ROBOSTELLO, Municipal Clerk, City of Millville and

ROY DUFFIELD, Municipal Clerk, City of Woodbury

Public Relations – MCANJ Booth: CECILIA COVINO, Co-Chair, Municipal Clerk, Township of Clinton; and BARBARA RAE (Retired), Co-Chair, Municipal Clerk, Borough of Edgewater

Quill: JAMES DOHERTY, Editor, Municipal Clerk, Township of Wantage

Raffles: YANCY WAZIRMAS, Chair, Municipal Clerk, Township of Parsippany-Troy Hills

Records: HAROLD WIENER, Chair, Municipal Clerk, Township of Irvington

Resolutions: SANDRA BOHINSKI, Co-Chair, Municipal Clerk, Borough of Helmetta and

MARIE ELENA MACARI, Co-Chair, Municipal Clerk, Borough of Saddle River

Scholarship: CYNTHIA BROWN, Chair, Municipal Clerk, City of East Orange

- 11. **Announcement of Scholarship Winners:** Rayna Harris, Municipal Clerk, Hillside Township,

announced the following scholarship recipients:

RMC	Monica Zur, Clerk/Typist, Township of Barnegat Jerry Lore, Deputy Municipal Clerk, City of Hoboken
CMC	Beth Brothman, Municipal Clerk, Borough of Andover
MMC	Jane L. Marban, Municipal Clerk, Borough of Spring Lake

12. **Tribute to Retired Members:** Marie Elena Macari, Co-Chair Resolutions Committee, Municipal Clerk, Borough of Saddle River, was unable to attend the meeting and President John Mitch read the following resolution:

WHEREAS, service to others is the best work of life; and

WHEREAS, continued unselfish service is the backbone of our society and is to be commended and exemplified; and

WHEREAS, as a Municipal Clerk, knowing that you have shared in the growth and success of your community and this organization is a purpose fulfilled.
exemplified and emulated; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Honorary membership is bestowed upon the below-named retired Municipal Clerks in accordance with Article II, Section 1.D. of the Municipal Clerks' Association of New Jersey, Inc., Constitution and Bylaws; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we extend to you, upon the occasion of your retirement, our gratitude and best wishes for good health, success and prosperity for many years to come to those Municipal Clerks named herein:

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Municipal Clerks' Association of New Jersey, Inc., that we commend your dedication to the residents of your community and this organization, and point to it as an example to be.

Bergen County

Virginia DeMaria, Township of Rochelle Park
Gail Warming-Tanno, Borough of Alpine
Fran Garlicki, Borough of Bogota
Barbara Rae, Borough of Edgewater
Diane Thornley, Borough of Wood-Ridge
Neil Grant, Borough of Fort Lee

Burlington County

Mary Ann Finlay, Borough of Pemberton

Cape May County

Amy Kleuskens, Borough of Avalon

Essex County

Robert Marasco, City of Newark

Hunterdon County

Donna Burham, Township of Clinton
Diane Seals, Borough of High Bridge

Morris County

Carol Talerico, Borough of Riverdale
Donna Costello, Township of Denville
Matt Stechaunter, Town of Morristown

Ocean County

Grace DiElmo, Borough of Tuckerton
Irene H. Ryan, Borough of Mantoloking

Passaic County

Jane Williams-Warren, City of Paterson

Union County
David Hughes, City of Summit

Motion made by Heather Mailander, Municipal Clerk, Village of Ridgewood, seconded by Susan Witkowski, Municipal Clerk, Borough of Hillsdale, the resolution was unanimously approved by voice vote by the membership.

13. **Tribute to Deceased Members:** Sandra Bohinski, Co-Chair, Resolutions Committee, Municipal Clerk, Borough of Helmetta read the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the strength and spirt of a community are often reflected in the activities and successes of its employees; and

WHEREAS, throughout their tenure, Municipal Clerks serve their communities with complete professionalism and at all times demonstrate an extraordinary dedication, enthusiasm and community sprit; and

WHEREAS, as a Municipal Clerk, knowing that you have shared in the growth and success of our community and this organization is a purpose fulfilled.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Municipal Clerks' Association of New Jersey, Inc., that we commend their dedication to the residents of their respective communities and this organization, and point to it as an example to be exemplified and emulated; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we extend to these individuals a moment of silence, dedicated to the memories of those who have left us for a greater service:

Bergen County

Judy Odo, Former Borough Clerk of Ho-Ho-Kus

Burlington County

Michael Chiaccio, Retired, Township of Riverside

Camden County

Dorothy Carlson, Retired, Borough of Stratford
(1982 Clerk of the Year)
Lee C. Daniels, Retired, Borough of Audubon Park

Cape May County

Barbara Camp, Retired, Upper Township
(2002 MCANJ President/1995 Clerk of the Year)
Peter P. Yecco, Retired, City of Wildwood
(1989 Clerk of the Year)

Gloucester County

Shawn Menzies, Retired, Township of Mantua

Hunterdon County

Patricia Cregar, Retired, Township of East Amwell

Monmouth County

Judy Poling, Retired, Borough of Keyport
Deborah Usalowicz, Deputy Clerk, Township of Marlboro

Ocean County

Betty Jane "Bettsey" Arnold, Retired, Borough of Seaside Heights

Salem County

Isabel McAllister, Retired, Borough of Woodstown
Barbara Wright, Retired, City of Salem

Somerset County

Dorothy (Dot) Wilkie, Retired, Township of Bedminister

Union County
Doris Polidore, Retired, City of Garwood
(1996 Clerk of the Year)

Motion made by Joanne Kwasniewski, Municipal Clerk, Borough of Fair Lawn, seconded by Cecilia Covino, Municipal Clerk, Township of Clinton, the resolution was unanimously approved by voice vote by the membership.

14. Presentation of Friend of the Municipal Clerk Award, and L. Manuel Hirshblond Distinguished Service Award:

President Mitch announced that this year's award recipient is James Doherty, Administrator/Municipal Clerk, Township of Wantage, Sussex County for all of his numerous contributions to the MCANJ, high-lighted as The Quill's Editor for many years. Mr. Doherty was not present, and the award was accepted by Teresa Oswin, Deputy Municipal Clerk, Town of Newton, on Mr. Doherty's behalf.

15. State of the Association Address: JOHN M. MITCH, 2014-2015 President, MCANJ; Municipal Clerk, Township of Woodbridge

GOOD MORNING.

FOR THE PAST 16 MONTHS I HAVE KEPT OUR MEMBERSHIP AWARE OF WHAT HAS BEEN GOING ON WITH OUR ASSOCIATION WHETHER IT WAS THROUGH E-MAIL BLASTS, THE QUILL, OUR WEBSITE OR FACEBOOK, AND BECAUSE OF THAT, I PROMISE NOT TO TAKE TOO MUCH OF YOUR TIME.

WITH THAT SAID, 17 MONTHS AGO I STOOD BEFORE MANY OF YOU IN ATLANTIC CITY AND PRESENTED THE IDEA OF CHANGING OUR BUSINESS OPERATION FROM A CALENDAR YEAR TO A FISCAL YEAR.

I ALSO PRESENTED MY THOUGHT PROCESS BEHIND THE CHANGE AND THEN WITH YOUR SUPPORT, IT WAS APPROVED FOUR MONTHS LATER AT OUR 2014 ANNUAL MEETING.

WHILE MOST OF THE CHANGES WERE TRANSPARENT TO THE GENERAL MEMBERSHIP, IT CAUSED FOR YOUR OFFICERS AND MOST COMMITTEES TO RE-TOOL WHAT HAD BEEN KNOWN IN THE PAST TO JUST BE "HABIT".

HOWEVER, WHAT YOU DID SEE WAS A CHANGE IN WHEN YOU RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP AND, FOR MANY OF YOU, YOUR RENEWAL FOR THE LEGAL DEFENSE FUND TOO.

IN BOTH CASES YOUR 2014 DUES CARRIED YOU AN ADDITIONAL 6 MONTHS AT NO EXTRA COST. WITH THAT SAID, YOUR 2015-2016 MEMBERSHIP AND LDF DUES NOTICES WILL GO OUT IN ABOUT 2 MONTHS FOR THE 2015-2016 TERM.

DURING THIS PAST MONTHS, WHILE WORKING WITH THE EXECUTIVE BOARD, WE IMPROVED UPON OR EXPANDED FURTHER INTO THE WORLD OF TECHNOLOGY BY DOING MORE TASKS ELECTRONICALLY.

OUR LATEST IMPROVEMENT WILL BE HOW YOU RETRIEVE YOUR CEU's FOR THIS CONFERENCE. LIKELY THE WEEK OF MAY 4th, YOU WILL RECEIVE AN E-MAIL WITH AN EVALUATION FORM. UPON COMPLETING THE FORM AND SUBMITTING IT IN RETURN, A DCA APPROVED LISTING OF YOUR CEU's WILL COME BACK TO YOU THE VERY SAME WAY; VIA E-MAIL.

THESE CHANGES ARE LESS LABOR INTENSIVE, SAVES MONEY IN PRINTING COSTS, AND ENABLES US TO EXTRACT REPORTS THAT IN THE NOT TO DISTANT PAST WERE ALWAYS DONE MANUALLY.

WHEN I BECAME YOUR PRESIDENT I DID NOT EXPECT THAT OUR TERMS WOULD LAST 18-MONTHS BUT THAT IS WHERE WE ARE HEADING WITH THE OPERATIONAL YEAR CHANGE. THIS EXTENSION THOUGH HAS ALLOWED US AS A BOARD AND AS A TEAM TO ADDRESS ISSUES WITH CONTINUITY.

A GOAL OF MINE IN JANUARY 2014 WAS TO LEAVE YOU AT THE END OF MY TERM, WHENEVER THAT BE, WITH AN ASSOCIATION BETTER THAN I RECEIVED IT.

I BELIEVE THAT AS A TEAM WE WILL DO THAT COME JUNE 30th AND MY SUCCESSOR WILL BE IN A GOOD POSITION.

BESIDES ADDRESSING THE NORMAL DAY-TO-DAY BUSINESS OF OUR ASSOCIATION, WE CONTINUE TO ADDRESS CONCERNS THAT ARE CLOSE TO ALL OF US; FROM THE RUTGERS' EDUCATION PROGRAM, OPRA AND OPMA, TO FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS AND PENSION AND BENEFITS REFORM TO NAME JUST A FEW.

WITH REGARDS TO OPRA AND OPMA, WE REMAIN VIGILANT AND TO THAT END, WHEN IT SEEMED THAT WE COULD NOT GET ANOTHER AUDIENCE WITH SEN. WEINBERG'S STAFF, WITH THE HELP OF OUR ATTORNEY, WE DID JUST LAST THURSDAY.

IN ADDITION TO MYSELF, KEITH KAZMARK, DENISE SZABO, NANCY SAFFOS AND LORI BUCKELEW, WE SPOKE TO THE SENATOR FOR MORE THAN 2 HOURS AND WHILE I KNOW WE WILL NOT GET EVERYTHING WE WANT, IT APPEARS THAT WE WILL GET QUITE A BIT.

AS SOME OF YOU KNOW, AS A RESULT OF ME BEING INTERVIEWED BY NJTV TWICE, WE PICKED UP SOME UNLIKELY (IN MY OPINION) SUPPORT.

THE ATLANTIC CITY PRESS STATED THAT WHILE THEY SUPPORT TRANSPARENCY TO THE FULLEST, THEY RECOGNIZE THE UNTOLD WORK THAT OPRA HAS PUT ON US AS CUSTODIANS OF RECORDS WHICH WAS NOT THE INTENTION OF THE LEGISLATURE.

AND THEN THERE IS NJFOG; THE NEW JERSEY FEDERATION OF OPEN GOVERNMENT.

KEITH KAZMARK AND I MET WITH MR. JOHN PAFF AND NJFOG REPRESENTATIVES AND BELIEVE IT OR NOT, WE SUPPORT SOME SIMILAR CHANGES TO OPRA AND WE ALSO SHARE A COMMON BELIEF THAT THE G.R.C. JUST DOES NOT WORK.

WHEN WE MET WITH THE SENATOR ONE OF THE ITEMS WE PUSHED FOR WAS TO TAKE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE MIX AT FIRST BY NOT ALLOWING COMPLAINANTS TO GO THERE WITHOUT FIRST GOING TO THE G.R.C. WHICH WILL SAVE MUNICIPALITIES MONEY. WE SUGGESTED CREATING A 1ST LEVEL ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING, AKIN TO MUNICIPAL COURT, WITH A DE NOVO HEARING AND A RESPONSE WITHIN 60-DAYS.

WE DISCUSSED DATA MINNING, REPEAT REQUESTS FROM THE SAME INDIVIDUALS AND MUCH MORE.

WITH NJFOG, WE AGREED TO DISAGREE ON SOME ITEMS BUT WHO WOULD HAVE THOUGHT THAT WE WOULD HAVE HAD A MEETING WITH THEM?

AND THEN THERE ARE THE LOCAL FINANCE NOTICES. MANY OF US LIVED THROUGH THE MESS OF DEALING WITH VIOLATION NOTICES.

A NUMBER OF US HAVE REACHED OUT TO MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATURE AS WELL AS THE LT. GOVERNOR, ESPECIALLY TO FIND OUT WHY AND HOW IT BECAME OUR JOB. I ALSO HAD A CONVERSATION WITH TIM CUNNINGHAM, DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES.

THEY ARE GOING TO PRESENT A LEAGUE SESSION IN NOVEMBER THAT THEY ARE URGING ALL CLERKS TO ATTEND AND I HAVE ASKED FOR A WEBINAR FOR THOSE WHO CAN NOT GET TO ATLANTIC CITY FOR VARIOUS REASONS. WHETHER IT BE THE WEBINAR OR THE LEAGUE, IT IS IMPORTANT THAT YOU STRESS YOUR CONCERNS TO THEM.

WE ALSO CONTINUE TO SPEAK UP AT THE LEAGUE AFFILIATE MEETINGS WITH OUR OBJECTIONS TO MORE PENSION AND BENEFIT REFORMS. WE ARE EXTREMELY BLESSED IN THAT WE HAVE BILL DRESSEL AND LORI BUCKELEW REPRESENTING OUR INTERESTS.

PLEASE KNOW THAT WE ARE NOT SITTING SILENT, OUR VOICES ARE BEING HEARD AND OUR PARTICIPATION IS ACTIVE !

IF YOU REMEMBER IN 2013 I SAID THAT WE MAY NOT BE ABLE TO CONTROL THE CHALLENGES WE FACE BUT WE CAN CONTROL HOW WE FACE THE CHALLENGES. WE ARE DOING THAT. AND ALTHOUGH WE DON'T HAVE A VOTE IN THE LEGISLATURE, WE CAN CONTINUE TO INSIST THAT WE HAVE A SEAT AT THE TABLE WHEN DISCUSSING ISSUES IMPORTANT TO US SO THAT THESE TOPICS CAN BE VETTED TO THE BEST OF OUR ABILITY.

IN CLOSING, I WANT TO THANK ALL OF YOU; THE EXECUTIVE BOARD, OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, JOEL POPKIN, OUR ATTORNEY RICHARD LUSTGARTEN, ALL THE ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS, COMMITTEE CHAIRS, COMMITTEE MEMBERS, THE COUNTY ASSOCIATIONS WHO INVITED ME INTO THEIR MEETINGS, AND THE GENERAL MEMBERSHIP FOR YOUR SUPPORT.

I HOPE THAT I HAVE BEEN ABLE TO IMPROVE THE STRENGTH OF OUR ASSOCIATION.

FROM MY PERSPECTIVE, AS YOU KNOW, MOTIVATION MATTERS AND IF YOU'RE NOT MOTIVATED, YOU'RE NOT LIKELY TO GET FAR OR WORSE YET, GET THE SUPPORT OF OTHERS THAT YOU WILL NEED TO SUCCEED.

LET US CONTINUE TO BE THE FACE OF OUR COMMUNITIES AND IF YOU ARE NOT ALREADY INVOLVED IN OUR ASSOCIATION, PLEASE DO SO. LIKE EVERYTHING ELSE, IT HAS ITS UPS AND DOWNS BUT OVERALL, IT IS A VERY REWARDING EXPERIENCE AND THERE ARE MANY GREAT CLERKS AMONG US.

I WISH KEITH, DENISE, DINA, KEVIN AND DIANE THE VERY BEST IN THEIR NEW ROLES COME JULY.

MAY GOD BLESS EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU AND MAY GOD BLESS THESE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

16. Recognition of 2014 CMC and MMC Awards:

Brenda Young, IIMC President, Town Clerk-Treasurer, Town of Nashville (Indiana); Vincent Buttiglieri, IIMC Vice President, Municipal Clerk, Township of Ocean (Monmouth); and Andrew Pavlica, IIMC Region II Director, Municipal Clerk, City of Garfield acknowledged the

following award recipients:

Master Municipal Clerks

Daina Dale, Borough of Harvey Cedars
Paul Margiotta, Township of Wayne
Allan Susen, Borough of Haledon

Certified Municipal Clerks

Lisette Aportela-Hernandez, Borough of Tenafly
Christine Demiris, Borough of New Milford
Kevin Galland, Borough of Woodland Park
Nikima Muller, Township of Mount Holly

17. Recognition of Instructors of Municipal Clerks Courses:

Laura Flagg, Associate Program Specialist, Rutgers University recognized the following instructors:

Amy Antonides, Borough of South Plainfield
Jennica Bileci, Township of Mantua
Sharon Brienza, Township of Branchburg
Kathrine Coviello, Township of Mahwah
James Doherty, Township of Wantage
Mary P. Madonna, Borough of Surf City
Vita Mekovetz, Township of Readington
J. Mark Mutter, Township of Toms River
Lucy Samuelson, City of Somers Point
Robert Sloan, City of Bayonne
Kim-Marie White, Township of Eastampton
Barbara Bascom, Retired
Elaine B. Kennedy, Retired
Joel Popkin, Retired

18. Announcement of 2013/2014 Registered Municipal Clerks Certification Recipients:

Joanne Kwasniewski, Chair, Education Committee; Municipal Clerk, Borough of Fair Lawn acknowledged the following recipients for their achievement.

October 2013 Registered Municipal Clerks

Susan E. Bate	William Broughton	Kimberly A. Campellone
Louise F. Cumiskey	Mary S. Donovan	Lisette M. Duffy
Norman M. Eckstein	Michael W. Egan	Donna L. Frederick
Patricia M. Gatto	Michelle Hack	Jennifer F. Kiernan
Joseph A. Kostecki	Roberta M. Lang	Teresa A. Oswin
James E. Pellettiere	Nancy A. Pravata	Marguerite Schmitt
Kiem T. Tran		

April 2014 Registered Municipal Clerks

Matthew A. Cavallo	Allison S. Ciranni	Anne M. Dodd
Patricia A. Feketics	Marta D. Harrison	Patricia L. Hendricks
Dorethy S. Hicks	Donna M. Jackson	Davinna P. King
Robert Knapp	Lynda S. Knott	Amy R. Naples
Tanya M. Pannucci	Kelly Santosusso	

October 2014 Registered Municipal Clerks

Cathy Belli	Dawn L. Bielec	Kathryn M. Bowditch
Fern A. Brown	Jeanne M. Cook	Corinne M. DiCorcia
Gina S. Kim	Tamar S. Lawful	Lauren A. Liquori
Jeanne M. McBride	Annamarie O'Connor	Denise L. Peterson
Jennifer L. VanSant	Mary Beth Zichelli	

19. Presentation of the 2015 Municipal Clerk of the Year Award:

Cecilia Covino, 2014 Municipal Clerk of the Year, Municipal Clerk, Township of Clinton, presented the 2015 Municipal Clerk of the Year award to Joanne Kwasniewski, Municipal Clerk, Borough of Fair Lawn.

20. 2015-2016 Slate of Officers:

Secretary Kevin Galland presented the slate of officers for the 2015-2016 fiscal year:

President	Keith Kazmark, Borough of Elmwood Park
1st Vice President	Denise Szabo, Township of Bernards
2nd Vice President	Dina Zawadski, Township of Deptford
Treasurer	Kevin Galland, Borough of Woodland Park
Secretary	Diane Pflugfelder, Township of Liberty
Immediate Past President:	John Mitch, Township of Woodbridge

Motion made by Ms. Sharon Brienza, Municipal Clerk, Township of Branchburg, seconded by Ms. Ann Marie McCarthy, Municipal Clerk, Township of Franklin, the proposed 2015-16 slate of officers was unanimously approved by voice vote by the membership.

21. Legal Presentation:

Richard Lustgarten, Esq., MCANJ Legal Counsel, Goodman & Lustgarten, discussed the new legislation regarding election petitions and petitioner’s requirements.

22. 2016 Conference Registration Drawing

Business cards were drawn to select six winners for a free 2016 Conference Registration:

- Patricia A. Frontino, Borough Clerk, Borough of Glassboro
- Lucy R. Samuelsen, Deputy Municipal Clerk, City of Somers Point
- Maureen Iarossi-Alwan, Municipal Clerk, Borough of Montvale
- Michele D. Miller, Municipal Clerk, Borough of Somerdale
- Katy A. Van Scoy, Borough Clerk, Borough of Paulsboro
- Michelle L. DeRocco, Municipal Clerk, Borough of Watchung

23. Adjournment

Motion made by Mr. Andrew Pavlica, Municipal Clerk, City of Garfield, seconded by the membership in attendance and unanimously passed by voice vote at 11:50 AM.

Respectfully submitted by:

Kevin Galland, MCANJ Secretary

APPENDIX

Business cards were drawn to select six winners for a free 2016 Conference Registration at the end of the conference.

- Mary Pat Quinn, Municipal Clerk, Township of Hope
- Carol Degrassi, Municipal Clerk, City of Somers Point
- Margaret E. Pemberton, Clerk of the Freeholder Board, Middlesex County
- Laura P. Borchers, Municipal Clerk, Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus
- Yancy Wazirmas, Municipal Clerk, Parsippany-Troy Hills
- Cathy Drummond, Municipal Clerk, Borough of Hampton

Business cards were drawn to select Alternate Winners for a free 2016 Conference Registration at the end of the conference.

- Alternate #1 – Gay M. Huber, Deputy Township Clerk, West Windsor Township
- Alternate #2 – Rose Sollena, Municipal Clerk, Raritan Township
- Alternate #3 – Joanne Siedlecki, City Clerk, Corbin City