

Oklahoma Municipal Judges Association

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TO: All Municipal Judges and Associate Municipal Judges

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SUBJECT: 2019–2020 Membership in Oklahoma Municipal Judges Association (OMJA)

Greetings Municipal Judges of Oklahoma:

It is again time to register for membership in OMJA. Our workshop evaluations indicate the OMJA program is getting better every year, which is one good reason for you to either renew your membership in OMJA for the coming year, or join us if you are not a member. We now have available I.D. Badges for paid members. Please see attached sheet.

What does OMJA do?

The Oklahoma Municipal Judges Association exists to help municipal judges with the exacting duties of municipal court management. OMJA is run entirely by its member judges. Collectively, we have the ability to provide each other with a wealth of experience and expertise. OMJA is dedicated to sharing that expertise for the benefit of municipal officials.

Network. It is imperative that municipal judges pool their expertise. Our Board of Directors is selected specifically to give a voice to municipalities of all sizes. Since OMJA's sole source of funding is membership dues, our services are necessarily restricted to our members. A contract with the Oklahoma Municipal League provides a headquarters and administrative services.

Education. OMJA sponsors two educational opportunities a year: the spring conference and the OMJA annual fall meeting. These programs offer CLE credit for attorneys and fulfill the statutory requirement for judicial CLE. The programs concurrently address concerns of non-lawyer judges. The networking opportunities provide an opportunity for judges to meet speakers, fellow registrants, and to compare issues and ideas with other municipal judges. The program speakers are often selected from the faculty of the National Judicial College, colleges of law, or from the ranks of our own seasoned members.

You won't want to miss the 2019 Fall Conference this coming October. This will be a great time to meet other judges, discover solutions to complex situations, enjoy a lively discussion, and take away a conference binder for future reference..

A membership form is enclosed for your review. We hope you join us as a member of OMJA.
