

NEW PUBLIC RECORDS LAW: Denial Disputes in Public Safety Departments

What Public Safety Managers Should Know
About The New Dispute Process for Denials of Public
Records Under Senate Bill 321

Friday September 23 - 9:00 am to 11:30 am

Location TBA (Columbus Area)

The Ohio General Assembly unanimously passed legislation creating a Public Records expedited Dispute Resolution process in the Ohio Court of Claims. Significant procedural and process issues remain, including Attorney Fee awards. **This legislation affects every Ohio municipality in how it deals with Public Records requests and releases.**

8:45 am Register for Continuing Legal Education Credit

9:00 am Introductions.

9:15 am Overview of New Law: Josh Brown

9:45 am Court of Claims Process: Luther Liggett

10:15 am Legislative Intent; Participating Interested Parties; Testimony: Josh Brown

10:45 am Issues with the Law:

- 1) Mandatory Schedule.
- 2) Motion to Dismiss.
- 3) Objections.
- 4) Modern Courts Amendment.
- 5) Appellate process.


11:15 am Questions and Answers .



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Registration is \$50 - Payable to Ohio Ass. of Public Safety Directors

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Attending college and law school in Washington, D.C., Liggett received his undergraduate and law degrees from The George Washington University, where he worked on Capitol Hill for Senator John Glenn.

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MY PROFILE



Josh Brown is the Executive Director of the Ohio Association of Public Safety Directors and Director of Communications for the Ohio Municipal League. He analyzes legislation and various issues and proposals to determine its effect on municipalities and provides advice and guidance on legal and economic issues. He also directs all communications with members, the General Assembly, state agencies, and the press. Josh served in the U.S. Army for 8 years: active duty for 4 years and in the Army Reserves for 4 years, serving in Korea and Operation Iraqi Freedom. After his military time, Josh attained a Bachelor of Arts degree from The Ohio State University, majoring in Political Science and Economics. He then attended the University of Toledo College of Law, earning a Juris Doctorate. Josh first served as a law clerk in multiple litigation firms, gaining experience in both federal and state litigation. He then turned his focus to government affairs, serving as a Legislative Aide at the Ohio House of Representatives before going to the OML.