

NEMA 2025 Mid-Year Forum Capital Hilton Hotel



Legal Counsel Committee

FRIDAY, MARCH 21, 2025 | 10:00-11:30 AM
SENATE

Agenda

- The Disasters of 2024; Lessons Learned Discussion

Committee Members

Chair: Will Polk, NC **Vice Chair:** Samantha Ladich, NV

All interested state legal counsels may participate.

Private Sector Liaisons: Sam Von Kopp (Cordatis), Danielle Aymond (Baker Donelson)

Whole Community Liaison: Will Polk (NC)

Board of Directors Liaison: A.J. Gary (AR)

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EMAC Committee

SATURDAY, MARCH 22, 2025 | 1:30-2:30 PM
PRESIDENTIAL BALLROOM

Agenda

- Dispatching Solutions: Lessons Learned from an Ohio Telecommunicator Emergency Response Taskforce EMAC Deployment to North Carolina
- Reimbursement Update from the Republican National Convention
- National Special Security Event (NSSE) EMAC Guidance
- EMAC's Role in the Hawaii Wildfire Response
- EMAC Executive Task Force Update
 - EMAC Coordinator Workshop
 - EMAC Operations System 4.0
 - Policy Updates
- EMAC Executive Task Force Leadership Transition

Presenters & Guests

Nick DiCicco, Chagrin Valley Dispatch, Ohio TERT | Greg Engle, Wisconsin Emergency Management | Beth Zimmerman | Brian Fisher, Hawaii Emergency Management Agency | Jordan Abshire, EMAC Executive Task Force

Committee Members

Chair: Kevin Sweeney, MI

Vice Chair: Bryan Fisher, AK

Jeff Smitherman, AL
Gabe Lavine, AZ
Angee Morgan, KS

Sima Merick, OH
Patrick Sheehan, TN

Daryl Jaschen, VI
Greg Engle, WI

Legal Counsel Liaison: Kristine Hoffman (NY)
Private Sector Liaison: Jeff Sopel (Bent Ear Solutions)
Past President Liaison: Dave Maxwell
Whole Community Liaison: Kevin Sweeney (MI)

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Whole Community Committee

SATURDAY, MARCH 22, 2025 | 3:00-4:30 PM
PRESIDENTIAL BALLROOM

Agenda

- Presentation by SBA Associate Administrator Chris Stallings
- Examining the Reagan National Airport Incident: Insights into Human Services and Emergency Response
- State Access and Functional Needs Discussion

Presenters & Guests

Chris Stallings, U.S. Small Business Administration | Justin Brown, District of Columbia Homeland Security and Emergency Management Agency

Committee Members

Chair: DAWN BRANTLEY, MA

Franklin Babauta, CNMI
Charles Esteves, GU
Kevin Sweeney, MI

Clint Osborn, DC
Russ Strickland, MD
Kim Stenson, SC

Private Sector Liaisons: James Joseph (Tidal Basin), Jeremiah Alvarez (Guidehouse)

Past President Liaison: Mike Sprayberry

Legal Counsel Liaison: Kristine Hoffman (NY)

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Resilience Committee

SUNDAY, MARCH 23, 2025 | 10:00-11:30 AM
PRESIDENTIAL BALLROOM

Agenda

- Resilient Emergency Alert and Notification Infrastructure: Challenges and Successes
- Arkansas Community Emergency Response Team School Curriculum: Building Individual and Community Resilience
- Tennessee Helene Emergency Assistance Loans (HEAL) Program: Best Practices
- State Hazard Mitigation Officers Subcommittee and Public Information Officers Subcommittee Report Outs

Presenters & Guests

A.J. Gary, Arkansas Division of Emergency Management | Patrick Sheehan, Tennessee Emergency Management Agency | Dinan Amin, New Jersey Office of Emergency Management

Committee Members

Chair: Sima Merick, OH

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Kevin Reed, MN

Delila Bruno, MT

Ali Rye, NM

Matt Franklin, NY

Annie Vest, OK

Marc Pappas, RI

Kim Stenson, SC

Tina Titze, SD

Kris Hamlet, UT

Robert Ezelle, WA

Greg Engle, WI

Private Sector Liaisons: Ross Ashley (KPMG), Aaron Davis (BuildStrong America)

Whole Community Liaison: Kim Stenson (SC)

Legal Counsel Liaison: Will Polk (NC)

Past President Liaison: Jim Mullen

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Legislative Committee

SUNDAY, MARCH 23, 2025 | 1:35-2:35 PM
PRESIDENTIAL BALLROOM

Agenda

- Rollout of Priorities for the 119th Congress
- Conversation with Invited Congressional Staff

Presenters & Guests

Invited Congressional Staff

Committee Members

Chair: John Benson, IA

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Kevin Sweeney, MI
Rob Buxton, NH

Will Ray, NC
Sima Merick, OH
Patrick Sheehan, TN
Lynn Budd, WY

Private Sector Liaisons: Kristin Robinson (IEM), Jessica Stolz (Booz Allen Hamilton)

Whole Community Liaison: Dawn Brantley (MA)

Legal Counsel Liaison: Morgan Middleton (MS)

Past President Liaison: Wendy Smith-Reeve

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Private Sector Committee

SUNDAY, MARCH 23, 2025 | 3:15-4:15 PM
PRESIDENTIAL BALLROOM

Agenda

- Welcome & Board Update – Erica Bornemann
- State Private Sector Liaison Committee Update
- FirstNet Update on Public Safety Communications Transformation
- P3 Innovations
 - Northwest Iowa Flooding Housing Partnership
 - BRIC: Utilizing a Public-Private Partnership to Support Community Lifelines
- Open Discussion

Presenters & Guests

Jon Hanian, Idaho Office of Emergency Management | Bruce Fitzgerald, FirstNet | John Benson, Iowa Homeland Security & Emergency Management | Wendy Huff Ellard, Baker Donelson

Committee Members

Chair: Erica Bornemann, ACDC **Vice Chair:** Jay Harper, SLSCO

All Corporate and Organizational members of NEMA are members of this committee. All members are welcome and encouraged to participate.

Legal Counsel Liaison: Stephanie Houp (FL)

Board of Director Liaison: A.J. Gary (AR)

Whole Community Liaison: Erica Bornemann (AC Disaster Consulting)

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Past Presidents Committee

SUNDAY, MARCH 23, 2025 | 6:00 PM
Closed Meeting

Agenda

- Group Discussion on the Evolution of Emergency Management
- NEMA's Role in Support of State Capacity Building
- Organization Leadership and Professional Development

Committee Members

Chair: Russ Strickland, MD

All NEMA Past Presidents are members of the committee.

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Homeland Security Committee

MONDAY, MARCH 24, 2025 | 10:15-11:15 AM
PRESIDENTIAL BALLROOM

Agenda

- Understanding the Mass Casualty Event; New Orleans, January 2025
- Havoc from Above; New Jersey Drones
- National Homeland Security Consortium Paper on Nation-State Threat

Presenters & Guests

Jacques Thibodeaux, Louisiana | Lieutenant Michael Ward, New Jersey State Police

Committee Members

Chair: AJ Schall, DE **Vice Chair:** Rob Buxton, NH

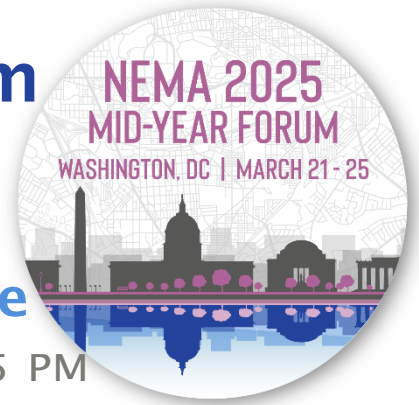
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Private Sector Liaisons: Greg Eaton (Ernest & Young), Risa Abraham (Fluor)
Whole Community Liaison: Clint Osborn (DC)
Legal Counsel Liaison: Kimberly Zigich (CT)
Past President Liaison: Glen Woodbury

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Response & Recovery Committee

MONDAY, MARCH 24, 2025 | 1:15 - 2:45 PM
PRESIDENTIAL BALLROOM

Agenda

- Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Office of Response and Recovery Brief
- Kansas/ESRI Partners GIS Award-Winning Program
- State Self-Insurance and Disaster Recovery Impacts
- Kentucky Pre-Disaster Housing Mission Perspective
- TORNADOS: What the U.S. Government Accountability Office and States Are Learning

Presenters & Guests

Keith Turi, FEMA | Mike D'Attilio, ESRI | Kyle Oneth, Kansas | Patrick Sheehan, Tennessee | Eric Gibson, Kentucky | Dustin Heiser, Kentucky | Chris Currie, GAO | Erv Portis, Nebraska

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Russ Strickland (MD)
Lee Siler (Walmart)
Bryan Koon, Nancy Dragani, Dave Maxwell