

**Massachusetts Association of Health Boards
Certificate Program - Spring 2023**

8:15 – 9:00 am: Registration and buffet breakfast

9:00 – 9:45 am: Legal Authority of Boards of Health, C. Sbarra, Esq.

- Welcome and Housekeeping
- Authority to Enact Regulations
- Authority to Regulate Specific Activities
 - Nuisances
 - Statute
 - Plymouth Nuclear Waste hearings
- Liability Protections

9:45 – 10:30 am: Amendments to Housing Code, P. Halfmann

- Effective April 28, 2023

10:30 – 10:40 am: Break – coffee/tea/water

10:40 – 11:30 am: *Courtney Gilardi et al v. Linda Tyer, Mayor of Pittsfield et al*, P. Revere, III, Esq.

- Nuisance/Noisome Trade Case Study
- Berkshire Superior Court

11:30 – 12:00 pm: How to Conduct a Productive Meeting, M. Hugo, J.D.

- Public records law
- Conflict of interest law
- Open meeting law
 - General review of law

12:00 – 12:45 pm: Lunch and dessert with updates from MAHB

12:45 – 1:45 pm: *Louise Barron et al v. Daniel L. Kolenda et al*, M. Hugo and C. Sbarra

- Open meeting law case study
 - Suit against Southborough Select Board
- Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court
- Video of Public Speak section of meeting.
- Review of SJC decision
- Partial video of SJC Oral Argument
 - When can you stop a meeting?
- Ramifications of decision

1:45 – 2:30 pm: Updates from the Office of Local and Regional Health

2:30 – 2:45 pm: *Break with snacks and beverages*

2:45 – 3:15 pm: Local Public Health Strategies relative to PFAS a/k/a “forever chemicals”

- General review
- Nantucket case study

3:15 – 4:00 pm: All Things Considered – What is coming down the Pike? *C. Sbarra*

- Newport Non-Menthol Menthol cigarettes
- Cannabis law updates
- Synthetic THC products
 - What are they?
 - Who regulates them?
 - Local strategies?
- Opioid settlement funds update