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Pennsylvania State Mayors' Association

An Invitation to all Pennsylvania Mayors and their Police Chiefs!

The Mayor, the Chief and the Law: Governance and Best Practices

A one-hour, lunchtime webinar sponsored by the
Pennsylvania State Mayors' Association

Tuesday, November 22, 2022 12:00 noon

Admission is free!

Registration is required to receive a Zoom link.

This webinar will focus on the relationship between the mayor and the police chief in boroughs, cities and incorporated town and their joint responsibility to institute policies and procedures in their police department which will protect their municipality against civil liability.

Attendees will hear presentations from four speakers in municipal government:

Mayor Jim Nowalk *President, Pennsylvania State Mayors' Association*

Ron Camacho *Police Chief, Borough of Chambersburg*

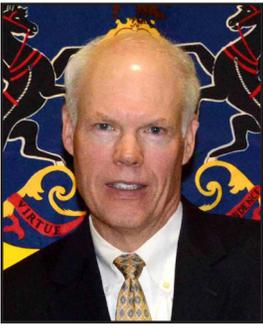
John R. Wilson, Esquire *CGA Law Firm*

Mayor Ralph Mowen *Vice-President Southeast Region, Pennsylvania*

**To register for this workshop, please email your name, municipality and county to pamayors@pamayors.org.
For questions, contact PSMA at (412) 833-4100.**

See biographies on the next page for more information about the webinar and its presenters

THE PRESENTERS



Jim Nowalk, the Mayor of Whitehall Borough in Allegheny County, has been an elected official for 39 years – 10 years on Council and over 29 years as Mayor. A lawyer for 44 years including seven as an Assistant County Solicitor, Jim has

authored over 100 advisory opinions for Pennsylvania Mayors during his 15 years as the PSMA's

President. For 25 years, Jim has been chiefly responsible for the educational programs at the PSMA's annual conferences. As PSMA President, Jim has been a leader in the Radar Coalition, an organization of municipal and law enforcement associations seeking to allow municipal police to use radar for the enforcement of motor vehicle speed limits. Together with Mayor Harris, Jim revised the Borough Mayors Manual for the Governor's Center for Local Government Services. Jim was PSMA's Mayor of the Year in 1999.



Chief Ron Camacho, the Police Chief of Chambersburg Borough in Franklin County, is an accomplished law enforcement executive with 27 years of experience, spent mostly in supervisory and management positions. Chief Camacho has successfully

trained all patrol ranks, from corporals to captains, on leadership, supervision, discipline, team building, policy development and mentoring. He retired as

the patrol operations captain with the City of York police department, commanding over ninety officers and detectives. Chief Camacho also worked as the patrol commander for the Old Dominion University Police Department. In Afghanistan and Mexico, Chief Camacho worked as an international police advisor and trainer where he developed and taught courses for patrol officers and sergeants on command leadership and tactical operations. Chief Camacho is a nationally published author on Emotional Intelligence, Transparency in Policing, Police Leadership and Ego-related issues.



John R. Wilson joined the CGA Law Firm in August of 2021. While his legal interests are varied, John provides legal services to Litigation, Bankruptcy, Government and Education Law clients. From 2020 to 2021, John served as an

Advisor for the Mason Veterans and Service Members Legal Clinic, where he repre-

sented clients in military proceedings, veterans' appeals, and civil matters. In 2020, John clerked for the Honorable Paul W. Ishak at the Circuit Court for Harford County, Maryland, performing legal research and drafting written opinions for both criminal and civil matters. John achieved his Juris Doctorate from George Mason University's Antonin Scalia Law School in Arlington, Virginia. He was awarded the Scalia Law Merit Scholarship and honored to be instructed by Supreme Court Justice Neil Gorsuch in Padua, Italy.



Ralph Mowen, the Mayor of Ephrata Borough in Lancaster County has served as Mayor since 1993, following 13 years on Borough Council. As Mayor, Ralph oversees a 35-officer police department that serves both Ephrata Borough and three other municipalities, Ephrata

Township, West Cocalico Township and Adamstown Borough. The Ephrata Police Department became one

of only 147 departments, out of approximately 1,100 departments statewide, to receive accreditation from the Pennsylvania Chiefs of Police Association. In addition to serving as an elected official, Ralph is an active member of the Pioneer Fire Company (53 years); the Ephrata Borough Authority as Chairman (30 years); a member of the Denver/Ephrata Rotary Club, the Ephrata Amvets (40 years); the Ephrata American Legion (40 years) and the Ephrata VFW (35 years). Ralph served in the U.S. Air Force from 1963 to 1967.

The PSMA would like to give special recognition to **Mayor Ron Harris**, the PSMA Vice-President of Southcentral Region, for his inspiration and production of the webinar.