



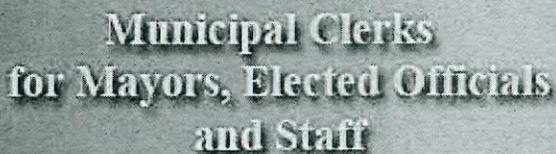
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February 9, 2012

RE: I. U.S. SENATOR ROBERT MENENDEZ TO HOLD SENATE BANKING COMMITTEE FIELD HEARING: "SAVING OUR NEIGHBORHOODS FROM FORECLOSURES"

Dear Mayor:

U.S. Senator Bob Menendez, Chairman of the Senate Banking Committee's Subcommittee on Housing, Transportation, and Community Development, has asked us to advise you that a committee hearing has been scheduled for this Friday, February 10, in Plainfield, New Jersey. The Subcommittee will use witness testimony to work on proposals that will alleviate the burden of foreclosures on New Jersey families, neighborhoods, and municipalities.

Senator Menendez and the witnesses will discuss the effects of foreclosures on New Jersey neighborhoods, which include displaced families, crime, and declines in home values. Participants will also review what steps the Senator and other witnesses have taken or are advocating, in order to fix these problems. Solutions could include: funding for foreclosure counseling; more sustainable mortgage modifications including reducing the debt owed through shared appreciation; new standards for mortgage servicing; helping homeowners refinance; and more quickly fixing properties that have been foreclosed or converting them to rentals.

Heading the list of witnesses will be Plainfield Mayor, and League Board Member, Sharon Robinson-Briggs. The Hearing will take place:

Friday, February 10, 2012

11 am – 1 pm

(Doors open 10:30 am)

The Black United Fund Health and Human Services

403 West 7th Street, Plainfield, New Jersey 07060

The public is invited to observe this hearing, only. There will not be an opportunity for public comment. Senator Menendez welcomes written comments on this issue from any interested parties.

Very truly yours,

William G. Dressel, Jr.

Executive Director

Re: II. LEAGUE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

“Collection of Municipal Court Fees”

February 17, 2012

9:00a.m. – 12:30pm

National Conference Center

399 Monmouth Street

East Windsor, NJ 08520

This seminar will cover the collection procedures for Municipal Court Fees.

Assistant Director Debra Jenkins will discuss the New Jersey Supreme Court requirements governing the use of private collection agencies or firms to collect outstanding municipal court debt. During her presentation, she will outline some of the specific procedures to be followed by municipalities, private vendors, municipal courts and the Administrative Office of the Courts when establishing and operating this program. Ms. Jenkins will also discuss what municipal court cases are eligible for collections, and outline many of the technical enhancements that the Judiciary has implemented to support this most important initiative. Finally, this presentation will highlight the steps needed to approve a municipal court debt private collections program in a particular municipality.

Chief R. J. Ricardella, (RET), Public Safety Management Improvement Specialist has worked with the transitional aid municipalities and other municipalities with outstanding municipal court debt. His presentation will provide attendees a sample RFP and typical findings and success stories where DLGS implemented the program.

Richard Templin, President of Penn Credit Corporation, will discuss the procurement (RFP) process for hiring a debt collection vendor including questions to ask and requirements appropriate for the services to be provided. He will also review realistic goals and expectations with regards to collection

performance as well as best practices for a successful collection program.

Schedule:

8:30a.m. – 9:00a.m. Sign-in, coffee & networking

9:00a.m. – 9:50a.m. –Policies and Procedures for Collection of Municipal Court Fees

9:50a.m-10:45a.m- RFP Process, Goals and Expectations, Best Practices

10:45a.m.-11:00a.m-Morning Break

11:00a.m.-11:50 a.m. - Case Studies in Municipal Fee Collection

11:50a.m.-12:50 a.m.-Question and Answer Session

Presiding Mayor: Mayor Gary Passanante, Mayor of Somerdale, Member of League Executive Board

Presenters:

- **Debra Jenkins**, Assistant Director, Municipal Court Services Division, Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC)

- **Chief R.J. Richardella** (Ret), Public Safety Management Improvement Specialist

- **Richard Templin**, President, Penn Credit Corporation

REGISTRATION FEE: Member Rate: \$55.00* Non-Member: \$75.00

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