

**2025 NCAMA SUMMER CONFERENCE**  
**Renaissance Hotel – Asheville, North Carolina**

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**Friday, August 1, 2025 (3.0 Hours)**

<b>TIME</b>	<b>TOPIC</b>	<b>PRESENTER</b>
Friday 8/1 <b>8:30 - 9:30</b> [1.0 hour]	<u>GETTING BY WITH A LITTLE HELP FROM OUR FRIENDS</u>	<b>CATHY KILLIAN</b> NC Lawyer Assistance Program
Friday 8/1 <b>9:30 – 10:30</b> [1.0 hour]	<u>MERGERS, MERGERS EVERYWHERE: THE GROWING PUSH FOR REGIONALIZATION OF WATER AND WASTEWATER UTILITY SYSTEMS</u>	<b>MAC MCCARLEY</b> Town of Southern Pines  <b>CATHERINE CLODFELTER</b> Parker Poe  <b>DREW HARGROVE</b> Parker Poe  <b>BOB HAGEMANN</b> Poyner Spruill
10:30 - 10:45	<i>Break</i>	
Friday 8/1 <b>10:45 - 11:45</b> [1.0 hour]	<u>HURRICANE HELENE: ASHEVILLE’S EMERGENCY RESPONSE</u>	<b>MAYOR ESTHER MANHEIMER</b> City of Asheville  <b>BRAD BRANHAM, CITY ATTORNEY</b> City of Asheville  <b>DEBRA CAMPBELL, CITY MANAGER</b> City of Asheville  <b>JEREMY KNIGHTON, ASST. FIRE CHIEF</b> City of Asheville  <b>CLAY CHANDLER, PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER, WATER RESOURCES</b> City of Asheville

**Saturday, August 2, 2025 (3.0 hours)**

<b>TIME</b>	<b>TOPIC</b>	<b>PRESENTER</b>
Saturday 8/2 <b>8:30 - 9:30</b> [1.0 hour]	<u>AVOIDING COMMON ETHICAL PITFALLS</u>	<b>NICHOLE P. McLAUGHLIN</b> NC State Bar
Saturday 8/2 <b>9:30 - 10:30</b> [1.0 hour]	<u>MUD, SWEAT, AND TIERS: TALES FROM THE TRENCHES OF MUNICIPAL CONTRACTING</u>	<b>MATT PENTZ</b> Town of Cary  <b>DENE' ALEXANDER</b> City of Greenville  <b>BRITT BURCH</b> City of Albemarle  <b>CRISTA CUCCARO</b> UNC School of Government
10:30 - 10:45	<i>Break</i>	
Sat. 8/2 <b>10:45 - 11:45</b> [1.0 hour]	<u>LEGISLATIVE UPDATE- 2025 LONG SESSION</u>	<b>ERIN WYNIA</b> North Carolina League of Municipalities  <b>PATRICK BUFFKIN</b> North Carolina League of Municipalities