

CHAMPAIGN COUNTY UPDATE OF UPDATES

The Update of Updates is a continually updated list of associations, government entities, websites, and other sources which provide legal updates, news, and other information relevant to county governance. The purpose of this publication is to assist Champaign County officials and employees, both new and old, with obtaining easy and regular access to reputable sources of pertinent information, and a means to share their favorite sources with their colleagues in Champaign County government, for the benefit of all.

Statewide & National Associations

Champaign County and its various departments and officers belong to numerous statewide and national associations related to county governance. Most of these associations publish newsletters which include legal updates, and individuals can usually sign up with the associations to regularly receive said information via email. Membership details and individual signup procedures may vary.

Illinois Association of Court Clerks (IACC) - http://www.ilcourtclerks.org/

- IACC publishes periodic updates, as well as end-of-session legislative reports.
- The IACC website also provides handy links pages for searching on-line records by IL county.
- Champaign County Circuit Clerk is a member contact Circuit Clerk for sign-on details.

Illinois Association of County Board Members (IACBM) - https://ilcounty.org/

- The IACBM website provides numerous legal resources, including listings of Illinois <u>House</u> and <u>Senate bills</u> relevant to local government, an annual <u>new laws summary</u>, <u>Attorney General Opinions</u> relating to county government, as well as links to various <u>publications</u>.
- Champaign County is a member. Sign up to receive IACBM's legislative report emails by contacting IACBM's association office at ilcounty@gmail.com.

$Illinois\ Association\ of\ County\ Officials\ (IACO) - \underline{https://www.iacoonline.org/}$

- IACO provides a <u>seasonal newsletter</u>, available for free via website if not a member.
- Champaign County is a member. Inquire regarding individual signups for emails via the IACO website's 'contact us' form.

Illinois City/County Management Association (ILCMA) - https://www.ilcma.org/

- ILCMA provides a monthly newsletter, accessible for free via website if not a member.
- Champaign County Executive is a member. Sign up for individual membership and available email lists via <u>ILCMA</u>'s website membership page.

Illinois Emergency Services Management Association (IESMA) - https://www.iesma.org/

- The IESMA website provides free <u>news</u>, free <u>links</u>, and free references to <u>training resources</u>.
- Our <u>Champaign County EMA</u> (Emergency Management Agency) maintains a paid <u>membership</u> to IESMA and receives periodic legislative updates via email. Contact Champaign County EMA (John Dwyer, Coordinator) for signup details if interested.

Illinois State Association of Counties (ISACo) - https://www.isacoil.org/

- The ISACo website provides links to various reports and legislative session summaries.
- Champaign County is not a member, however ISACo publishes the 'ISACo News and Views' email newsletter (click the 'Join Our Email List' button at top of one of the most recent newsletters) for free to any individuals who are interested.

National Association of Counties (NACo) - https://www.naco.org/

- Website provides news on a wide array of topics, with links to additional resources.
- Champaign County is a member. Individuals can sign up for NACo's <u>County News print publication</u> and/or email newsletter via website.

United Counties Council of Illinois (UCCI) - https://www.unitedcounties.com/

- The <u>'Legislative Bill Tracking' page</u> of the website includes free links to resources including legislative bill tracking reports, the monthly UCCI newsletter, news, etc.
- Champaign County is a member. Individuals can sign up directly for emails and materials by contacting UCCI via their Contact Us page on their website, or at UCCI@unitedcounties.com.

Additional resources

Attorney Curt Borman's legal updates - cborman2405@gmail.com

- Local attorney Curt Borman (who presently works for the City of Urbana) compiles his own legal updates and sends them to local agencies, including the Sheriff's Department.
- Curt has advised that he's happy to provide these legal updates to other county officials upon request. Contact Curt directly at cborman2405@gmail.com to sign up.

Champaign County Clerk - https://champaigncountyclerk.com/

• Links to Champaign County <u>Ordinances</u> and <u>Resolutions</u>, Champaign County Board <u>meetings and minutes</u>, <u>election information</u>, etc. County budges are <u>here</u>, but also under the <u>County website</u>.

Freedom Of Information Act (FOIA) FAQ page - https://www.foia.gov/faq.html

• Answers Frequently Asked Questions regarding FOIA requests, responses, and exemptions

Illinois General Assembly – http://www.ilga.gov/

• Definitive source for pending legislation and the <u>Illinois Compiled Statutes</u>.

Illinois Municipal League (IML) – https://iml.org/

- The IML website provides <u>news posts</u> on various topics including Statehouse briefings, <u>Capitol Updates</u>, new law updates, and statewide news of interest to municipalities and local government.
- IML also publishes their IML Review Magazine on an annual basis.

Illinois Property Assessment Institute (IPAI) – https://ipaieducation.org/

• Newsletter signup via website front page

Municipal Minute - http://municipalminute.ancelglink.com/

- Municipal Minute is a daily legal update email newsletter published by the private law firm <u>Ancel Glink</u>, which has an extensive local government practice. <u>Sign up for Municipal Minute is free via website</u>.
- The Municipal Minute <u>website</u> also has extensive links to useful resources such as additional <u>publications</u>, their <u>blog</u> archives sortable by topic.

State of Illinois – https://www2.illinois.gov/

- <u>Email update signup</u>, updates can be personally tailored to limit the updates only to news from 'only my county' and/or to news regarding only specific subjects/agencies
- Extensive links to individual <u>branches of government</u> and various departments, most of which generate their own news, newsletters, and/or publications, including but not limited to:
 - o IL Attorney General http://www.illinoisattorneygeneral.gov/
 - o IL Commerce Commission https://www.icc.illinois.gov/
 - o IL Courts http://www.illinoiscourts.gov/
 - o IL Department of Human Rights https://www2.illinois.gov/dhr/Pages/default.aspx
 - o IL Department of Labor https://www2.illinois.gov/idol/Pages/default.aspx
 - o IL General Assembly http://www.ilga.gov/
 - o IL Secretary of State https://www.cyberdriveillinois.com/
 - o IL State Board of Elections https://www.elections.il.gov/
 - o IL State Police http://www.isp.state.il.us/
 - o IL State Treasurer https://illinoistreasurer.gov/
 - o IL State Appellate Defender https://www2.illinois.gov/osad/Pages/default.aspx
 - o IL State's Attorneys Appellate Prosecutor http://www.ilsaap.org/index.asp

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