



# Public Records, Open Meetings Update 2023

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**Co-produced with the Government Lawyers Division of the State Bar of Wisconsin**

## Walkin' on sunshine

When the government is in the spotlight, transparency is key to keeping the public's trust. Whether you represent a government entity, an individual, or the media, the **Public Records, Open Meetings Update 2023** is the perfect chance to brush up on your PROM prowess. You'll hear from a range of experienced practitioners on the most recent court interpretations of the balancing test for public records requests, the standard for determining attorney's fees, the responsibilities of the Wisconsin Public Records Board, and more.

## How you'll benefit:

- Hear competing viewpoints on using public records laws for an improper purpose
- Discover best practices for requesting public records
- Effectively respond to and process public records requests
- Get insight from clerks from across the state on conducting open meetings
- Find ways to manage your stress, even under demanding conditions
- Receive your annual case law update

## Who should attend:

- Government lawyers
- Municipal lawyers
- Administrative and local government lawyers
- Civil rights lawyers
- Criminal law practitioners
- Media law practitioners

The **Public Records, Open Meetings Update 2023** is designed to keep you current on the latest changes to PROM law, offer guidance on responding to requests, and help you manage stress on the job.

**Register today!**

## Schedule

**8:00 AM** **Registration**

**8:30 AM** **Post-Pandemic Meetings**

- A practical look at interpreting
- How have things changed?

*Jim Owczarski*

**9:00 AM** **Effectively Requesting and Processing Public Records Requests**

- Best practice tips and guidance for requesters and custodians
- Considerations for personnel records

*Moderator: Alan R. Kesner*

*Panelists: Scott F. Brown, Lacey Cochard, Adriana M. Peguero*

**10:00 AM** **Break**

**10:15 AM** **Tips for Record Custodians on How to Deal with an Increase in Stress and Workload**

- Timelines, publicity, etc.
- Sensitive records and their impact
- Complicated legal issues

*Peter J. Block, Julie M. Spoke*

**11:00 AM** **The Use of the Public Records Law for an Improper Purpose**

- Competing viewpoints

*William G. Davidson, Thomas Kamenick*

**11:30 AM** **Overview of the Wisconsin Public Records Board**

*Paul M. Ferguson, Kathryn Egeland*

**12:00 AM** **Case Law Update**

*Peter J. Block*

**12:15 PM** **Program Concludes**

*Following start time, schedule will vary slightly from above listed times.*

# Faculty

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## Dates

## Location

## In-Person Seminar—Madison

Wednesday, September 6, 2023

### State Bar Center

5302 Eastpark Blvd.  
Madison, WI  
(608) 257-3838

## Live Webcast

Wednesday, September 6, 2023

## Webcast Replay

Friday, September 15, 2023

Thursday, September 21, 2023

Wednesday, September 27, 2023

Tuesday, October 3, 2023

Monday, October 9, 2023

Saturday, October 21, 2023

Friday, October 27, 2023

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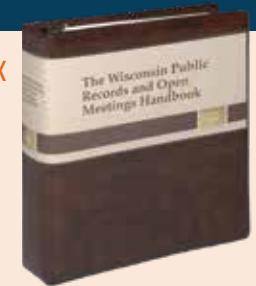
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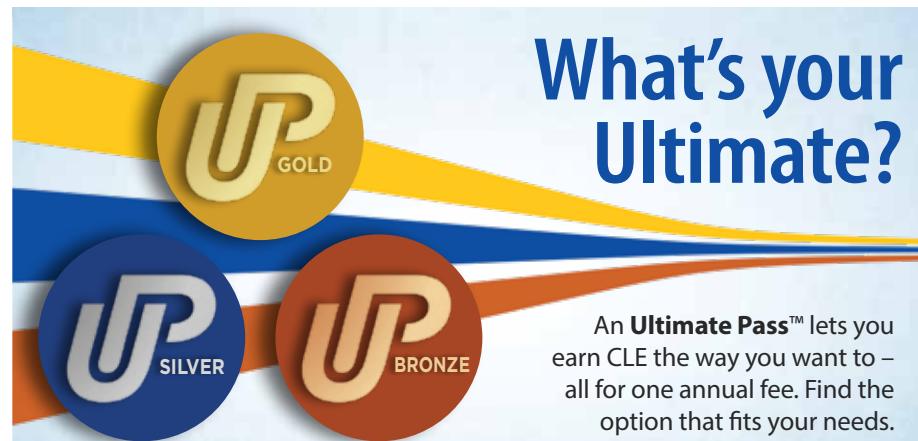
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