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Randall L. Brown Elected President of Michigan Association of Municipal Attorneys

Grand Rapids, MICHIGAN, October 4, 2011 – The Michigan Association of Municipal Attorneys is pleased to announce that Portage City Attorney Randall L. Brown has been elected as President of the organization at its Annual Meeting held in Grand Rapids.

Brown has been on the Board of Directors of the Michigan Association of Municipal Attorneys and on the Board of the Michigan Municipal League Legal Defense Fund since 1999. For the past two years Mr. Brown has served as Vice President of the Municipal Attorneys association. He has been legal counsel for Portage for the past 26 years and the city attorney since 1993. In 2010, Brown was awarded the Portage City Attorney contract for another five years. He is also a member of the Legislative Concerns Committee and has been involved in other committee work dealing with issues affecting municipalities in Michigan.

He graduated from Cooley Law School cum laude with distinction in 1981 and received the Most Distinguished Student award and was the law school's first editor-in-chief of the Law Review. Brown was a law clerk for the Honorable C.H. Mullen before entering private practice in 1984 and now employs two associate attorneys in his law firm, Randall L. Brown & Associates, PLC, in Portage. Besides municipal law, the firm represents clients in the areas of real estate, domestic relations, business entities, criminal law, probate/estate planning and bankruptcy.

As a long-standing and dedicated public official, City Attorney Brown addresses a broad range of legal issues on a regular basis, including matters concerning the Freedom of Information Act, Open Meetings Act, contract and land use issues among many others. He is also the village attorney for the Village of Mendon in St. Joseph County, Michigan. He lives with his wife Cindy in Portage and they have two children, Sarah and Jason.

Troy City Attorney Lori Grigg Bluhm was elected vice president of MAMA for the 2011-2012 term at the Annual Meeting.