

For the International Municipal Lawyer's Association - IMLA's 5 things to know for February 7<sup>th</sup>

1. Today, in 1992 the signing of the Maastricht Treaty by 12 countries formed the European Union. Beware of its rules regarding record privacy as those rules could apply to US entities that accept transactions through the Internet.

<https://www.eugdpr.org/>

2. Ten years ago today, a lone gunman entered the city council meeting in Kirkwood Missouri and killed five people. John Hessel, the city attorney fended off the gunman by throwing chairs at him. Hear John talk about the event at the IMLA Seminar in DC.

[www.stltoday.com/news/local/crime-and-courts/a-look-back-at-the-kirkwood-shootings/collection\\_cc98790a-77e1-11df-ba96-0017a4a78c22.html](http://www.stltoday.com/news/local/crime-and-courts/a-look-back-at-the-kirkwood-shootings/collection_cc98790a-77e1-11df-ba96-0017a4a78c22.html)

3. Some interesting issues travelling through the various listservs include a discussion regarding what to do when a person asserts that religion prohibits reliance on insurance. Apparently adherents to the Amish faith have such a view and it impacts city and county requirements for insurance for contractors and licensees.
4. Another issue deals with the policy question of dockless bicycle sharing programs. Seattle offers dockless bicycles and they seem to be well used but often left everywhere. Finding the correct regulatory balance will be difficult.
5. At its annual meeting, the ABA joined the rest of the country in recognizing the harm of harassment in the workplace by adopting a resolution admonishing legal employers among others to adopt policies that make a firm statement of no toleration and framing requirements for reporting, investigation and responding to victims.

<https://www.americanbar.org/content/dam/aba/images/abanews/mym2018res/302.pdf>

I'm on the road, so pardon the lack of specificity in this report. Our Seminar in DC provides a great opportunity to learn and gain CLE credits while you do. Look for our Valentine's Day sale. The seminar and hotel are filling up quickly and could sell out, so don't wait to register. Make sure you consider registering for our Supreme Court practice track. Get more from IMLA by joining. Not a member? Contact us. Sign up at [www.imla.org](http://www.imla.org). Have a great day and make it an inspirational one.