

11:30 AM – 12:45 PM

## Mock Eviction Trial

*Ballroom 1*

This interactive Mock Eviction Trial gives housing authority staff a realistic, step-by-step look at how eviction cases proceed in court. Through a simulated hearing, participants will see how cases are presented, challenged, and decided from both the housing authority and tenant perspectives. The session highlights key legal requirements, documentation standards, notice procedures, and testimony preparation, while also identifying common mistakes that can impact case outcomes. Participants will gain a clearer understanding of how day-to-day property management decisions translate into legal proceedings. Designed for property management staff, supervisors, and housing professionals, this engaging session strengthens legal awareness, improves procedural accuracy, and builds confidence in managing the eviction process.

*Moderator:* Sean Barnicle, Executive Director, Norwood H.A.

*Presenters:* Michael Louis, Esq., Partner, Downing Van Dyke; James Van Dyke, Esq., Partner, Downing Van Dyke