



## **ACOAM presents a day of training**

**Open to ACO's, Police, Fire, Board of Health, Animal Welfare Professionals, and Officers of the Court**

**Friday October 19, 2018 at the Courtyard Marriott- 75 Felton Street, Marlborough, MA**

**\$49.00 per person-PRE-Registration is required as seating is limited-RSVP by October 5th**

**8:00-9:00 AM Registration and Executive Continental Breakfast**

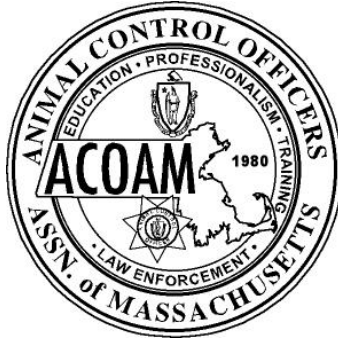
**8:45 AM Welcome**

**9:00-Noon: "Processing a Cruelty/ Hoarding Case" (Initial response, legal entry, report writing, evidence collecting, and photos) Presented by Kyle Held-ASPCA Regional Director-Field investigations & Response**

**ASPCA Animal Cruelty:** Kyle Held currently serves as a regional director of ASPCA Field Investigations and Response. In his current role, Held investigates and responds to situations involving animal victims of natural disasters and animal cruelty cases within the U.S. He works with law enforcement and local animal welfare agencies to rescue animals from life-threatening situations and provide them with the essential care they need. Held has investigated various animal cruelty cases involving companion and farm animals. Held frequently provides training for law enforcement and animal control officers on topics including animal fighting investigations, animal cruelty, animal handling and disaster response. He has completed over 500 hours of specialized animal cruelty trainings—ranging in topic from ritualistic killings to crime scene processing—and is a nationally certified equine cruelty investigator.

**12:00 – 1:00 pm- lunch, on your own**

**1:00 pm-4 pm: "Court and court cases"-(Magistrate Hearings, De Novo hearings, Mock trial) Presented by Tracey Cusick- Norfolk County ADA:** Tracey Cusick has been an assistant district attorney at the Norfolk District Attorney's Office since 1999. Assigned primarily to the Appeals Unit, Tracey had written more than 100 briefs and argued more than 60 times before the Massachusetts Appeals and Supreme Judicial Courts. Tracey was the author of an amicus brief filed on behalf of nine district attorneys and the Attorney General in Commonwealth v. Duncan, 467 Mass. 746 (2014) in which the Supreme Judicial Court held that the emergency exception includes rendering emergency aid to animals. Tracey also handles G.L. c. 211, § 3 petitions before the Single Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court. In addition to her appellate caseload, Tracey is also assigned to trial court prosecutions from arraignment to disposition, and also serves as second seat in serious felony trials, including first-degree murders, sexual assaults, and cases where defendants claim lack of criminal responsibility. Tracey also handles sexually dangerous person cases, mental health commitments, narcotics asset forfeiture proceedings, and assists with search warrant issues. Since 2001, Tracey has prosecuted more than 60 animal cruelty cases to disposition, including more than a dozen she presented to grand juries and prosecuted in Superior Court. Among other issues, she has researched and litigated DNA in animal cruelty cases. An appointee to the Massachusetts Animal Cruelty and Protection Task Force (2016), Tracey has compiled and updated a handbook of Massachusetts cases and statutes pertaining to animals, and participates in training police, animal control officers, veterinary students and other members of law enforcement in the logistics of animal cruelty cases.



**INVOICE and  
REGISTRATION FORM  
ACOAM DAY OF TRAINING  
FRIDAY OCTOBER 19, 2018  
\$ 49.00 per person**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

If you have more than 1 person from your organization attending please fill out a form per person. Print clearly as certificates of attendance will be issued at the end of the day, Thank you and hope to see you there.

**Please mail completed forms and payment to by October 5th:**

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