

**STATE BAR OF MICHIGAN
2009-2010 ANNUAL REPORT
SECTIONS**

Introduction

The Annual Report is a key document required by the State Bar of Michigan as stated in its bylaws, cited below. An annual report assists future Section leaders in understanding the Section's history, and serves as a planning guideline for the upcoming year. Annual Reports are also the main source for those who are interested in joining to section to learn about the activities of the section and decide whether membership is of value to them. Each annual report is published on the Section's website, provided as a resource to the public and potential Section members, as well as to Bar staff. The annual reports are submitted to the Board of Commissioners at their July meeting, published in the Agenda. In addition to the required general summary of activities, many sections choose to include additional material in their reports.

Article VIII §1, Bylaws of the State Bar of Michigan

Every Section and State Bar entity so directed by the Board of Commissioners or Representative Assembly shall annually make a written report containing a summary of its activities during the association year which shall be submitted to the Secretary on or before May 31. Annual reports may not exceed five 8 1/2" x 11" pages unless a waiver of this limitation is approved by the Executive Director.

Additional Materials

Many sections provide more information in their annual reports than a general summary of activities. The second page of this document is a comprehensive list of other valuable materials that may or may not be included in an annual report, with additional guidelines for the section's consideration. This is not a list of required items for an annual report, simply a thorough list of information that is often of interest to the public, section members, the Commissioners, and Bar staff. If desired, the list may be used as a basic guideline for an annual report.

Templates

The final pages in this document are a simple template, which may be altered to the section's needs. The template attempts to break down the bylaw requirement of "summary of its activities" into a few generalized categories. It is not required that a section utilize the template.

Submission

All annual reports should be submitted by May 31, 2010. They should be submitted to:

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STATE BAR OF MICHIGAN
ANNUAL REPORT ADDITIONAL MATERIALS

SECTION NAME: Have there been any changes in the section name? Details provided may be interesting to the public and other readers.

SECTION MISSION STATEMENT: A Sections' mission statement is a critical description of the goals the Section sets for the whole of its' membership. Including the statement in an Annual Report serves as a yardstick by which to measure progress.

OFFICERS AND COUNCIL MEMBERS: Including P#s accurately identifies officers and the council.

SECTION COMMITTEES: Descriptions of the various committees provides a clearer picture of a section's work, especially if the name of the chairperson and description of Committee activities are included. Including meeting schedules allows potential future volunteers for Committee work to better understand the frequency with which the committee meets.

SECTION MEMBERSHIP: Section membership fluctuates from year to year. Tracking the membership numbers at a set time of year, such as the Annual Report Deadline, can provide a good picture of changes in the Section membership.

SECTION BYLAWS: Awareness of Bylaws changes can be critical for understanding a Section's operation. Including the most recent revision date of the Bylaws will allow readers familiar with the Bylaws to ensure they have the most current version at hand. Additionally, if there are any forthcoming changes, this is a good opportunity to summarize plans briefly.

SECTION PUBLICATIONS: Some of the most frequent questions for Sections are in regard to publications the Section has produced. Providing a list including publication information for journals, newsletters and other publications creates a valuable resource.

MEETINGS, ACTIVITIES, AND SEMINARS: This is critical information for the Annual Report. Describing meetings, activities and seminars can be detailed, or brief. Suggestions for information to include are the date, location, and a minimum of one paragraph describing the event.

SECTION LEGISLATURE AND POLICY: The Section's involvement in legislature, policy, or *amicus curiae* is a matter of great interest, many questions are asked regarding the Sections involvement in such. A brief description of any such involvement is requested, as this falls under the heading of section activities.

AWARDS: Many Sections present awards, honors, or scholarships. The Annual Report is another opportunity to laud the recipients, as well as detail any awards presented to the Section itself. A description of the history of the award, or why the award is given, is useful.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Section finances vary from simple to complex. A brief statement of general budget information would be very appropriate to include in any Annual Report, or a reprinting of an annual Treasurer's report if the Section feel it is necessary.

FUTURE GOALS AND ACTIVITIES: Because the Annual Report is often used as a resource for future planning, and is viewed by members of the public who may be considering membership in the Section, a brief description of future goals and activities is recommended. This may also serve as a recommendation to the next Council.

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Bar Year: 2009-2010

Section Name: Antitrust, Franchising, and Trade Regulation

Mission Statement:

Officers and Council Members:

Officer	Name	Address	Telephone	Email
Chair	T. Blair Renfro	Michigan Public Service Commission 6545 Mercantile Way PO Box 30221 Lansing, MI 48909	517) 241-6188	renfrob@michigan.gov
Chair-Elect	Andrew Morganti	Sutts & Strosberg LLP 600-251 Goyeau St. Windsor, On N9A 6v4	519-561-6251	Andrew@strosbergco.com
Secretary	Howard Lederman	Norman Yatooma & Associates 219 Elm Street Birmingham, MI 48009	248-642-3600	lederman@normanyatooma.com
Treasurer	David Janis	Kerr Russell & Weber, PLC 500 Woodward Ave., Ste. 2500 Detroit, MI 48226	313-961-0200	drj@krwlaw.com
Publications	Justin Hakala	Morgan & Meyers 3200 Greenfield Rd. ste 260 Dearborn, MI 48120	3131-961-0130	jhakala@morganmeyers.com
Immediate Past Chair	Frederick R. Juckniess	Miller Canfield, Paddock & Stone PLC 101 N. Main Fl. 7 Ann Arbor, MI 48104	734-668-7798	Juckniess@millercanfield.com

Council Members	Term ending	
Mitch Rapp	2010	
David Grand	2010	
Stuart Bordman	2010	
Robert Wierenga	2010	
James Adams	2011	
Atleen Kaur	2011	
Paul Novak	2011	
Fred Herrman	2011	
Craig Essenmacher	2012	
Brock Swartzle	2012	
Kimerly Kefalas	2012	
Pahl Zinn	2012	

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Student-- John Schroder		
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Council Meeting Schedule:

Please attach any additional information needed regarding Council meetings as an addendum.

Meeting Type	Date	Location
Council Meeting	September 18, 2009	Annual Meeting-Dearborn
Council Meeting	October 13, 2009	Special meeting by phone
Council Meeting	October 23, 2009	Kerr, Russell-Detroit
Council Meeting	December, 4, 2009	By phone
Council Meeting	January 8, 2010	MPSC- Lansing
Council Meeting	February 12, 2010,	Madden Hauser- Detroit
Council Meeting	March 26, 2010	Miller Canfield- Ann Arbor
Council Meeting	May 7, 2010	Kerr, Russell & Weber- Detroit
Council Meeting	June 25, 2010 (scheduled)	Milberg LLP- Detroit

General Budget Information: The Section currently has approximately \$25,000.

Events and/or Seminars:

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Event or Seminar Title	Date	Location
Section Social Event-The informant	November 12, 2009	Birmingham
Section Fall Social Event	December 8, 2009	Roast- Detroit
Section Spring Social Event	May 13, 2009	U of M art Museum- Ann Arbor
Section Fall Webinar-MLS Antitrust	October 2009	Web only
Section Fall Franchising Seminar	November 2009	Novi
Section Spring Seminar	May 19, 2010	University Club-MSU-Lansing

Legislative issues: Internal review and analysis of proposed legislation for tax on legal services.

Recommendations for next Council: Maintain focus on connecting the membership, raising the visibility of the section, and providing educational seminars.

Other Information: The Section participated in the Great Lakes Antitrust Seminar in Columbus Ohio in connection with several other state bars. The Section has also planned a joint seminar on civil procedure in class actions with the Ontario Bar Association.

Awards: No awards were issued.

Publications: The Section issued several Newsletters, including original articles.

Bylaws: The Section has proposed bylaw amendments which will be distributed and voted on prior to the annual meeting.

Reports must be submitted before May 31 of each year, to:

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