

STATE BAR OF MICHIGAN
BUSINESS LAW SECTION

COMMERCIAL LITIGATION COMMITTEE
REPORT PREPARED FOR THE MARCH 6, 2008 COUNCIL MEETING

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1. Next Scheduled Meeting of the Committee. April 30, 2008.
2. Council Approval. N/A.
3. Membership. Membership has not changed since the last report.
4. Accomplishments Toward Committee Objectives. The Committee held a meeting on December 4, 2007.
5. Meetings/programs.

At its December 4, 2007 meeting, the Committee decided to present a program on what commercial litigators should know about bankruptcy, especially in a troubled economy. Judy Calton and Judith Greenstone Miller have agreed to speak and will invite a bankruptcy judge to participate. The program will be held on Wednesday, April 30, 2008 at 1:30 p.m. at the Hotel Baronette in Novi and will be followed by a cocktail reception.

6. Publications.

At its December 4, 2007 meeting, the Committee discussed the litigation newsletter and the fact that Committee members have not identified new cases that members recognized as having significance for business lawyers since the initial issue. The Committee discussed the *Miller* case and the fact that Committee members did not immediately realize how important the case would be for business lawyers when it came out. Members decided to pay particular attention to the cases reported in the daily E-Journal and Michigan Lawyers Journal for 60 days and circulate to the Committee cases that seem like they would be important to transactional/business lawyers to see whether the Committee can identify them.

7. Legislative/Judicial/Administrative Developments.

At its December 4, 2007 meeting, the Committee discussed the status of the Business Court project.

8. Analysis of Applicable Strategic Plan Issues.

At its December 4, 2007 meeting, the Committee discussed its structure and leadership/succession.

9. Miscellaneous. N/A.