

## Alternative Dispute Resolution Section

The ADR Section will host another of its popular regional mediator forums on Thursday, August 11 at P.F. Chang's in Ann Arbor, beginning at 11:30 a.m. This is a great opportunity to talk shop with colleagues over lunch in a relaxing atmosphere. Our next teleseminar on dispositive motions will be held on August 29. Mark your calendars for our section annual meeting on September 23 and 24 at the Hilton DoubleTree in Grand Rapids.

## Criminal Law Section

Save the date! The Criminal Law Section's annual meeting and program will be held on Friday, September 23 at the DeVos Place in Grand Rapids. Five members will be elected to the council and new officers will be inducted during the business meeting at 9 a.m. Our program—overuse of pretrial detention and misuse of local jails—follows at 10 a.m. More detailed information will be posted in our newsletter and on our website.

## Family Law Section

The Family Law Section Council has been hard at work monitoring proposed legislation and court rule proposals, filing amicus

briefs, and, through its members, participating on dozens of wide-ranging and important committees and work groups. June 4 was our last meeting until the September 22 meeting at 9 a.m. in Grand Rapids (visit <http://connect.michbar.org/familylaw/home> for our complete calendar). Join our section! By reading our members-only journal, you will glean insider information to improve your practice and professionalism.

## Information Technology Law Section

On Thursday, September 8, plan to attend the 9th Annual Information Technology Law Seminar at The Inn at St. John's in Plymouth. Seminar topics include "The Internet of Things," "Indemnity," "Limitation of Liability," "Warranty Provisions from a Litigation Perspective," "Transaction Taxes for Software and IT Services," and "Online Concerns for Employers." Additional information will be available soon on the section's calendar at <http://connect.michbar.org/itlaw/home>. See you there!

## Litigation Section

The Litigation Section is excited to announce that nationally recognized evidence and trial expert Tom Mauet will present his dynamic program, "Trial Evidence: Artistry

& Advocacy in the Courtroom" at the Litigation Section summer conference July 22–24 at the Crystal Mountain Resort. Don't miss the opportunity to hear this amazing speaker and enjoy a summer weekend at the Crystal Mountain Resort. Registration details are posted on the Litigation Section web page at <http://connect.michbar.org/litigation/home>.

## Real Property Law Section

Mark your calendars! The next Groundbreaker Breakfast Roundtable will be held October 20 at the Townsend Hotel in Birmingham. Breakfast begins at 7:30 a.m., followed by the roundtables from 8:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. More information will be available at <http://connect.michbar.org/realproperty/events/roundtables>.

## Social Security Lawyers Section

This year, the council increased its focus on information and networking for its members. Our SBM Connect page has been revamped with enlarged discussion board reach, more information in our Resources section, and more practice-related news and announcements—all linked to our new Facebook page. Based on member interest, more law and practice basics will appear in seminar presentations. Several new council members were brought on board, sharing more great ideas. ■

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