

Business Law Section

The section congratulates Timothy Damschroder, 2016 Stephen H. Schulman Outstanding Business Lawyer Award recipient. Tim was presented with this prestigious award at the October 7 annual meeting. Business Boot Camp II will be held in Grand Rapids on November 3–4 and in Plymouth on January 30–31, 2017. Visit <http://connect.michbar.org/businesslaw/home> to register for Business Boot Camp II, sign up to participate on committees, and learn about other section events.

Criminal Law Section

Save the date! It's almost time for the 40th Annual Mid-Winter Ski Conference. Shanty Creek Resort in Bellaire will host this popular event February 18–20, 2017. The President's Day weekend conference begins on Saturday, and the compressed conference schedule is being offered again this year. The resort offers reduced all-inclusive rates with ski and non-ski packages in addition to room-only rates. More detailed information will be posted in upcoming newsletters and on our website.

Elder Law and Disability Rights Section

The Elder Law and Disability Rights Section will hold its annual “up north” fall con-

ference at Crystal Mountain Resort October 5–7. In addition to the annual Chalgian & Tripp-sponsored spaghetti dinner and cocktail hour sponsored by Olsman, MacKenzie & Wallace, there are two exceptional national speakers—Bradley Frigon and Steve Riley. This conference is an excellent resource for all that is cutting edge in elder law and special needs planning as well as a half-day dedicated to critical practice management issues.

Information Technology Law Section

Edward F. Langs Writing Awards provide a maximum of \$3,000 for distribution to up to six law students for essays contributing to the knowledge and understanding of information technology law. Winning essays are published in the *Michigan IT Lawyer*. For consideration, essays must be submitted by June 30, 2017. For more information, visit <http://connect.michbar.org/itlaw/newsletter/news>. Please share this opportunity with law school faculty and students who may be interested.

International Law Section

On November 16, the International Law Section will hold its regular quarterly council meeting. Immediately following will be a substantive program, “Potential Effects from Brexit on U.S. and Global Companies.”

Speakers include Sarah Jones, partner at Clifford Chance; additional speakers and location to be announced. The section is delighted to offer this program jointly with the Business Law Section and welcomes proposals from other sections for more joint programs at its remaining 2016–2017 meetings.

Marijuana Law Section

The Marijuana Law Section congratulates its new and returning council members: Chairperson Daniel Grow, Daniel W. Grow, PLLC; Chairperson-elect/Vice Chairperson Mary Chartier, Alane & Chartier, PLC; Secretary/Treasurer Robert Hendricks, Wrigley, Hoffman, & Hendricks, PC; Matthew Abel, Cannabis Counsel, PLC; Bruce Block, Bruce Alan Block, PLC; Bernard Jocuns, Bernard Anthony Jocuns & Associates, PLLC; Michael Komorn, Komorn Law, PLLC; Barton Morris Jr., Law Offices of Barton W. Morris; and Karl Numinen, Numinen, DeForge, & Mathieu, PC.

Probate and Estate Planning Section

The Probate and Estate Planning Section is again cosponsoring with ICLE an Experts in Estate Planning seminar. This year's presentation is titled “Divorce, Blended Families, and Nuptial Agreements” and will take place on November 17 in Plymouth (<http://www.icle.org>). Also, help shape the direction of the section by joining us at our next council meeting on November 5 at the University Club of MSU in Lansing. We encourage all section members to attend and participate.

Real Property Law Section

Mark your calendars! The annual winter conference will be held March 2–4, 2017, at Loews Don CeSar in St. Pete Beach, Florida. Dawn M. Patterson of First American Title National Commercial Services is the program coordinator. Program information and registration will be available at <http://connect.michbar.org/realproperty/home/winterconf>. Reserve your room today. ■



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