

## Administrative & Regulatory Law Section

The Administrative & Regulatory Law Section hosts or cohosts a variety of lunch-and-learn events throughout the year with the Michigan Public Service Commission, Liquor Control Commission, Michigan Tax Tribunal, Michigan Office of Administrative Hearings and Rules, and other state agencies. The section aims to keep members abreast of laws, policies, and procedures affecting the practice of administrative law. For more information about the section, including links to forms necessary to join, visit <http://www.michbar.org/sections/home>.

## Alternative Dispute Resolution Section

The section's annual meeting and associated ADR conference, highlighted by a keynote address delivered by Michigan Supreme Court Chief Justice Bridget McCormack, was held at The Inn at St. John's on October 11–12. We welcome our 2019–2020 chair, Scott S. Brinkmeyer, and council members. The latest issue of *The Michigan Dispute Resolution Journal* is available at <http://connect.michbar.org/adr/home>.

## Appellate Practice Section

The Appellate Practice Section Council thanks everyone who contributed to a successful writing workshop and annual meeting. The program would not have been possible without the support of the chief justice and Supreme Court staff, excellent content from speakers and panelists, the enthusiastic efforts of 70 workshop participants plus 30 seminar attendees, and the generous contributions of our sponsors. The council also congratulates and welcomes its newest members, Jacqueline Klima and David Porter.

## Business Law Section

Congratulations to Eric Lark, recipient of the 2019 Stephen Schulman Outstanding Business Lawyer Award. You are invited to attend our next council meeting on December 7 at Butzel Long in Bloomfield Hills. Business Boot Camp I will be held in Plymouth on January 30–31, 2020. The Symposium on Corporate Oppression Actions will

be held on January 15, 2020, in Troy. Visit <http://connect.michbar.org/businesslaw/> home to sign up for Boot Camp and the symposium and to learn about other section events.

## Criminal Law Section

Looking to enjoy a long winter weekend away while earning CLEs? Soaring Eagle Casino in Mt. Pleasant will host our mid-winter conference over President's Day Weekend (February 15–16, 2020). The revamped program, with conference sessions that are closer together in time on Sunday, will again be offered. Lunch and breaks are included in the conference registration fee. More information, including a registration link, will soon be posted in our newsletter and on our website.

## Environmental Law Section

Our Joint Environmental Conference was held on November 14 at Lansing Community College West Campus. Program materials and the latest *Michigan Environmental Law Journal* are available at <http://connect.michbar.org/envlaw/home>.

## Family Law Section

Considerable changes to FOC/ADR procedures go into effect January 1, 2020. The Family Law Section is sponsoring presentations by local FOC representatives to explain how new rule MCR 3.224 will work in practice. Presentations are free to section members and will be held in Grand Rapids, Southfield/Novi, Lansing, and northern Michigan. Interested in joining the section? Application forms are available on the Family Law Section website at State Bar of Michigan Connect.

## Government Law Section

Save the dates for the section's upcoming seminars: The winter seminar will be held February 7, 2020, at The Henry in Dearborn. Personnel issues will be discussed, including investigation of sexual harassment in the municipal work place. The summer seminar is scheduled for June 26–27, 2020, at the Grand Traverse Bay Resort. This year's topics include areas of interest to all municipal

attorneys. Please visit <http://connect.michbar.org/govlaw/home> for future notices. We look forward to seeing you!

## Health Care Law Section

The section hosted an informative panel discussion titled "Health Law Trends, Technology and Trajectory" on October 29 at the Detroit Honigman office. Speakers included both in-house and private-practice attorneys who offered insights on where the practice of health law is headed, best practices for staying on top of new regulations, and tips for new attorneys on establishing successful careers. For information on future events, visit the section's website at <http://connect.michbar.org/healthcare/home>.

## Information Technology Law Section

Save the date! On Thursday, September 10, 2020, plan to attend the 13th Annual Information Technology Law Seminar at The Inn at St. John's in Plymouth. The seminar will include an all-day educational event of informative topics, the IT Law Section's annual meeting, lunch, and a complimentary cocktail reception. When available, additional information will be provided on the section's calendar at <http://connect.michbar.org/itlaw/home>. See you there!

## Real Property Law Section

Please join the Real Property Law Section for the annual winter conference, "Earth, Wind & Fire," March 12–14, 2020, at the Hotel del Coronado. Register online at <https://www.eiseverywhere.com/ereg/index.php?eventid=495500&> or mail the form at [https://higherlogicdownload.s3.amazonaws.com/MICHBAR/44611bbd-6711-42cd-b769-2e5d4860ad2a/UploadedImages/pdf/winter\\_conference/RP\\_WinterReg.pdf](https://higherlogicdownload.s3.amazonaws.com/MICHBAR/44611bbd-6711-42cd-b769-2e5d4860ad2a/UploadedImages/pdf/winter_conference/RP_WinterReg.pdf). Limited rooms are available. To book a room, visit <https://book.passkey.com/event/49987433/owner/10689/home> or call (619) 435-6611 and ask for the Real Property Law special rate.

## Senior Lawyers Section

The section made the following committee chair appointments: David Kallman,

Nominations; Michael Dettmer, Service to Senior Lawyers and Annual Meeting; Vince Romano and Paula Cole, Community Contributions co-chairs; Vince Romano, Mentoring to Others; and Paula Cole, Fundraising. If any section member would like to join a committee or has a recommendation for SLS action, email Charles Fleck at CAF208@aol.com. The section is considering changing its name back to Master Lawyers and preparing a strategic planning session.

## Social Security Lawyers Section

The section is seeking articles on Social Security for its newsletter, which is published four times a year (deadlines for articles are noted on our section website); email submissions to kerryspencer77@gmail.com. Also, consider posting information on Social Security, including administrative and legal issues, on our listserv. The listserv is open only to judges and dues-paid members of the Social Security Lawyers Section. To join, contact a section board member so you will receive postings.

## Workers' Compensation Law Section

The Workers' Compensation Law Section is holding its annual winter meeting on December 6 at The Inn at St. John's. Dr. Steven Kushner will be the keynote speaker. We hope all can attend. We are announcing the first annual Donald G. Ducey Award for Civility and Professionalism, which will be presented at the section's annual summer meeting.

## Young Lawyers Section

Follow us on Facebook at "State Bar of Michigan Young Lawyers Section" for the most up-to-date information pertaining to our section. Please visit, bookmark, and share our new blog format of *Inter Alia* at [www.sbmys.typepad.com](http://www.sbmys.typepad.com), which replaces the former pdf version. Save the date for the 2020 SBM YLS Summit and New Lawyer Orientation on Saturday, September 12, 2020 in Detroit. ■



## Meeting Directory

### Lawyers and Judges Alcoholics Anonymous and Narcotics Anonymous

The following list of meetings reflects the latest information about lawyers and judges AA and NA meetings. Those meetings marked with "\*" are meetings that have been designated for lawyers, judges, and law students only. All other meetings are attended primarily by lawyers, judges, and law students, but also are attended by others seeking recovery. In addition, we have listed "Suggested Meetings," which others in recovery have recommended as being good meetings for those in the legal profession. For questions about any of the meetings listed, please contact the Lawyers and Judges Assistance Program at (800) 996-5522 or [jclark@michbar.org](mailto:jclark@michbar.org).

#### Alcoholics Anonymous Meetings

##### \*Monday 7:00 PM

Lawyers and Judges AA Meeting  
St. Paul of the Cross  
23333 Schoolcraft Rd.  
(I-96 south service drive, just east of Telegraph Rd.)  
Detroit  
(This is both an AA and NA meeting.)

##### \*Tuesday 7:00 PM

Lawyers and Judges AA Meeting  
St. John's Episcopal Church  
26998 Woodward Ave.  
Royal Oak

##### \*Wednesday 12:00 PM

First Presbyterian Church  
321 W. South St., 3rd Floor  
Room 301  
Kalamazoo

##### \*Wednesday 6:00 PM

Kirk in the Hills Presbyterian Church  
1340 W. Long Lake Rd.  
(1/2 mile west of Telegraph)  
Bloomfield Hills

##### Wednesday 8:00 PM

Sense of Humor AA Meeting  
Michigan State University Union  
Lake Michigan Room  
(S.E. corner of Abbot and Grand River Ave.)  
East Lansing

##### \*Thursday 4:00 PM

Al-Anon of Berrien County  
4162 Red Arrow Highway  
Stevensville

##### \*Thursday 7:00 PM

Central Methodist Church, 2nd Floor  
(Corner of Capitol and Ottawa Streets)  
Lansing

##### \*Thursday 7:30 PM

Maplegrove  
6773 W. Maple Rd.  
Willingness Group, Room 21  
West Bloomfield Township

##### \*Second Saturday of the Month 1:00 PM

Lawyers and Judges AA Meeting  
Houghton Lake Alano Club  
2410 N. Markey Rd.  
Houghton Lake  
(Contact Scott at (989) 246-1200 with questions)

#### Gamblers Anonymous Meetings

For a list of meetings, visit <http://www.gamblersanonymous.org/mtgdirMI.html>. Please note that these meetings are not specifically for lawyers and judges.

#### Suggested Meetings

##### Tuesday 7:00 AM

Antioch Lutheran Church  
33360 W. 13 Mile  
(Corner of 13 Mile and Farmington Rd., use back/north entrance, basement)  
Farmington Hills

##### Tuesday 12:05 PM

Professionals in Recovery  
Human Potential Center  
22 W. 2nd St.  
Monroe

(Closed meeting; restricted to professionals who are addicted to drugs and/or alcohol)

##### Tuesday 6:00 PM

St. Aloysius Church Office  
1232 Washington Blvd.  
Detroit

##### Thursday 8:00 PM (also Sunday 8:00 PM)

Manresa Stag  
1390 Quarton Rd.  
Bloomfield Hills

##### Friday 12:00 PM

Detroit Metropolitan Bar Association  
645 Griswold  
3550 Penobscot Bldg., 13th Floor  
Smart Detroit Global Board Room 2  
Detroit

##### Friday 6:00 PM

The Business & Professional (STAG)  
Closed Meeting of Narcotics Anonymous  
Pilgrim Congregational Church  
3061 N Adams  
(2 blocks north of Big Beaver (16 Mile Rd.))  
Troy

##### Friday 8:00 PM

Rochester Presbyterian Church  
1385 S. Adams  
(South of Avon Rd.)  
Rochester  
(Closed meeting; men's group)

For anyone interested in starting an LJAA meeting in northern Michigan, please contact LJAP.

For other AA or NA meetings, see listings in your local phone book or call:  
Lawyers and Judges Assistance Program, (800) 996-5522