Alternative Dispute Resolution Section

The Alternative Dispute Resolution Section will honor its 2020 major award recipients at a ceremony on Friday, October 16, as part of the ADR Annual Conference. Chief Justice Bridget McCormack is the inaugural recipient of the Diversity and Inclusion Award, given in recognition of significant contributions concerning diversity and inclusion in the field of alternative dispute resolution. Jon R. Muth is the recipient of the Distinguished Service Award, which recognizes significant contributions to the field of dispute resolution. The George M. Bashara Award (the Chair's award) recognizes exemplary service to the section and its members; William D. Gilbride Jr. is this year's recipient. The Nanci S. Klein Award, which recognizes exemplary programs, initiatives, and leaders in community dispute resolution, will be presented to Craig R. Pappas.

Marijuana Law Section

The Marijuana Law Section has been providing webinars to its members throughout the pandemic, along with regular social

sessions on Zoom. Topics include insurance, social equity, oral fluid testing, THC and CBD, and cannabis accounting. Most webinars include presentations by experts on the topic; CLE credits were provided for the drug recognition evaluations and investigations involving marijuana with Lance Platt, an expert from Texas. For more information, join the hundreds of members of the Marijuana Law Section.

Real Property Law Section

Mark your calendar for the Real Estate Outlook 2021 Zoom program on Tuesday, November 17, from 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. The event includes a presentation on the 1918 Spanish flu pandemic that will offer context for, and unique insight into, our current circumstances and the future. The program will continue with a discussion of how the pandemic has affected the real estate market, the public health and policy implications of changing use standards and protocols, legal issues coming to the forefront in the wake of massive business and real estate disruption, and other risks and opportunities we may see in the coming months. Registration information to come.

Taxation Section

Please watch for an announcement from the Taxation Section on the 2020 Fundamentals of Taxation Virtual Bootcamp this fall. Designed for tax practitioners who are new to taxation or need a basic refresher, this seminar will provide an overview of both basic tax concepts and practical tax issues. Experienced taxation lawyers share their knowledge through real-life, practice-proven approaches.

Young Lawyers Section

The SBM Young Lawyers Section is proud to announce Samantha Orvis as chair for the 2020–2021 year. Though the pandemic has created challenges beyond our control, we look forward to bringing you relevant programming virtually (and in person when possible) to keep you engaged with other section members and updated on legal developments. Reach out to Sam via her information in the bar directory with any great ideas that you may have or just to say congratulations!



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