# Section Briefs

# **Appellate Practice Section**

The Appellate Practice Section continues to hold remote webinars with recordings available on the section website including "Am I Certifiable?," an in-depth discussion of certified questions from federal court to the state Supreme Court featuring Hon. Joan Larson of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit and Michigan Supreme Court Justice David Viviano; and "Just Plain Right," about the craft of creating persuasive appellate arguments with Hon. Annica Letica of the Michigan Court of Appeals, former Michigan Court of Appeals chief judge Henry Saad, and appellate practitioner Mary Massaron.

### Cannabis Law Section

Save the date to join us in Marquette for our first in-person seminar in more than a vear! We will be at Northern Michigan University on September 3. We are also continuing our monthly webinars providing members with valuable updates and new information on cannabis law. Watch for information on the listsery and the Zoom credentials under Events on the section's Connect site.

#### Consumer Law Section

The Consumer Law Section heard a presentation from University of Michigan Law School students about reforming the state's debt collection practices. The students explored five issues: creditor pleading requirements, "zombie debt," post-judgment exemptions for debtors, jailing debtors, and better data gathering on debt collection cases. Council members offered feedback to the students, who hope to make the presentation to policymakers in the future.

# Elder Law and Disability Rights Section

ELDRS continues to host bimonthly webinars through September, all starting at noon: July 15 "Appealing CMH Denials" with Marianne Huff, president and CEO of the Mental Health Association in Michigan on July 15, and "Disability Rights" featuring a panel from the ELDRS Disability Rights Committee on September 21. Registration links will be sent to section members via SBM Connect.

### Environmental Law Section

The annual Clearing the Air Spring Conference cosponsored by the Michigan Manufacturers Association and the Air Committee of the Environmental Law Section was held on May 20. The latest issue of the Michigan Environmental Law Journal and event/past webinar information is available at http://connect.michbar.org/envlaw.

#### Health Care Law Section

The Health Care Law Section hosted a webinar entitled "Telehealth: How the Pandemic is Shaping the Future of Remote Healthcare." Panelists included partner Andrea Lee Linna from McGuireWoods and Munson

Healthcare assistant general counsel Kate Flewelling. The panel addressed temporary policy changes to telehealth resulting from the country's public health emergency status and explored proposed trends in federal regulations and federal and state legislation that offer clues into telehealth's post-pandemic future.

#### International Law Section

The International Law Section is scheduled to offer the following programs for the summer: "Legal Aspects of the Trade in Wine between France and the United States" on July 14 and "Understanding Tariffs: Strategies to Manage Impact and Influence Outcomes" on August 4. A panel discussion on international agricultural issues is in the works for September (date to be determined).

# Real Property Law Section

Join the Real Property Law Section from July 21-23 for its virtual 2021 summer conference, "Roadblocks & Pivots." Michigan real estate attorneys need to keep pace with changing laws that affect new and existing projects. All real estate practitioners are invited to meet their colleagues virtually and participate in discussions on current legal issues impacting real property law in Michigan. The three days of virtual learning will include expert panel discussions, workshops, and interactive roundtables. Register at https://na.eventscloud.com/ereg/index. php?eventid=614779&.

## Religious Liberty Law Section

The section is working to make it easier for SBM members to participate in religious liberty law pro bono opportunities.

# Social Security Section

The section has opted against a summer virtual seminar in favor of concentrating its efforts on producing an excellent fall seminar and annual meeting at Boyne Mountain on September 12-14. We have an excellent lineup of speakers and are arranging for social activities, including a possible wine tour when participants arrive on September 12. Registration will be available soon.

# MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS

When your office has something to celebrate, let the Michigan legal community know about it with a member announcement in the Bar Journal and michbar.org/ newsandmoves for one month.

- Announce an office opening, relocation, or acquisition
- Welcome new hires or recognize a promotion
- Celebrate a firm award or anniversary
- · Congratulate and thank a retiring colleague

