

**GENERAL PRACTICE SECTION
2004-2005 ANNUAL REPORT**

The General Practice Section Council was pleased to work with its new Commissioner Liaison Allyn D. Kantor this year. Mr. Kantor attended numerous Council meetings and provided guidance, advice and much insight on how to better implement ways to obtain and respond to proposed legislation and rule changes. The Council reviewed and commented on proposed legislation and rule changes over the year, and would like to thank Mr. Kantor, as well as the State Bar for its much improved website.

The Council generally meets once a month, and was honored with many distinguished guests to the Council meetings during the year. Guests included State Bar of Michigan President Nancy Diehl and the Honorable William C. Whitbeck - Chief Judge of the Michigan Court of Appeals.

The Section's ListServ continued to provide a medium for meaningful discussions for its subscribers. Again, the Council gives special thanks to its administrator Clark S. Davis for his hard work and efforts. The Section's Editors Maury Klein and William Cataldo continued to edit, compile and produce an excellent newsletter on behalf of the Section. Pamela Beeghly participated as the Family Law Liaison to the Council. Christopher S. Carlson and Fred E. Sackllah attended the State Bar of Michigan Section and Committee Summit in March at the State Bar of Michigan. Fred E. Sackllah attended the ABA Spring Meeting in Salt Lake City in February on behalf of the Section. Christopher S. Carlson will be attending the Bar Leadership Conference on Mackinac Island in June. Pamela Beeghly and Clark Davis will attend the ABA Annual Meeting in Chicago in August.

Much of the Council's efforts this year has been, and continues to be, focused on the Section's support and co-sponsorship of ICLE'S Second Annual Solo & Small Firm Institute. This event is co-sponsored by the General Practice Section, Law Practice Management Section and the State Bar of Michigan, and is scheduled to be held on October 20-21, at the Dearborn Inn in Dearborn. A committee was formed in the beginning of the year to include Christopher S. Carlson, William Cataldo and William Roy with the purpose of assisting ICLE representative Sheldon J. Stark in planning and implementing this sophomore year program. Christopher S. Carlson, William A. Roy, David Perkins, William L. Cataldo of the Council are scheduled speakers of the program.

Pamela Beeghly is the upcoming chair of the Section. The Council looks forward to working with Ms. Beeghly and continued service to its Members.

Respectfully submitted,

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