

**STATE BAR OF MICHIGAN
2008-2009 COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT**

Article VI §6, Bylaws of the State Bar of Michigan

No later than May 1 of each year, the chair of each committee and subentity of the Bar, with the assistance of the staff liaison, shall report to the Executive Director on a form provided by the State Bar on the activities and accomplishments of the committee or subentity.

Committee Name: Standing Committee on Annual Meeting

Jurisdiction: Provide assistance in the development and planning for the State Bar's Annual Meetings.

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Committee Meeting Schedule:

Please attach any additional information needed regarding Committee meetings as an addendum.

Meeting Type	Date	Location
Description: Provide assistance in the development and planning for the State Bar's Annual Meetings.		
Annual Meeting Committee	11/6/08	Conference Call
Annual Meeting Committee	4/16/09	Conference Call

Resources provided by the State Bar of Michigan in support of committee work:

The Committee wishes to extend its deep appreciation to Kari Thrush, the Event Coordinator, Nancy Brown and the enthusiastic staff of the Member Services and Communications Division. The State Bar continues to offer tireless support of this event. The Committee's appreciation extends to everyone in the State Bar who lent a hand to make the Annual Meeting a success.

Committee Activities:

The Committee met on two occasions to provide assistance in the planning the 2008 Annual Meeting and then to participate in a review of the event as well as planning of the 2009 Annual Meeting. The Annual Meeting was held in Detroit at the Dearborn Hyatt and for the second year staged a combined event between the State Bar of Michigan and ICLE's Solo and Small Firm Institute. The Committee provided valuable assistance, assessing the success of the first ever combined event conducted in 2007, and incorporating changes in the 2008 Annual Meeting. In the Committee's view, the combined event was successful in extending to members of the Bar an opportunity for education, stewardship and inspiration.

Future Goals and Activities:

The Committee would like to offer special speakers at the Thursday or Friday luncheons as appropriate. The Committee also discussed location of the Annual Meeting and recommended the site be alternated each year between Grand Rapids and Detroit to better serve the members of the Bar. Finally, the Committee recommended that the programming for the 2009 and the 2010 Annual Meetings incorporate themes to help celebrate the 75th Anniversary of the State Bar of Michigan.

Other Information: