

Alternative Dispute Resolution Section

The section has joined the State Bar Equal Access Initiative, Wolverine Bar Association, Straker Bar Association, and the National Bar Association's Arbitration Section to present "What's Fair in ADR Through the Lens of Diversity: An Assessment and Discussion of Best Practices" at the NBA's annual meeting in Detroit on August 9. Panelists include Professors Floyd D. Weatherspoon and Maria R. Volpe, Douglas Van Epps, Arbitrator Charles E. Donegan, and the Hon. Cynthia D. Stephens.

Appellate Practice Section

The Appellate Practice and Litigation sections will co-present "Litigators and Appellate Lawyers: Partners, Not Adversaries" on September 14 during the State Bar Annual Meeting. Scheduled for 2–5 p.m. at the Ypsilanti Marriott at Eagle Crest, a panel of judges and attorneys will discuss the real and perceived

tensions between trial and appellate practice, including preservation of error and creation of the trial court record. Contact John Bursch at (616) 752-2474 for information about other section happenings.

Business Law Section

The 18th annual Business Law Institute will be held at Soaring Eagle Casino & Resort June 2–3. This is an excellent opportunity to network with peers while learning about recent critical issues of interest to business lawyers. Register at <http://www.icle.org>. The 3rd annual Scholarship Award will be presented at Soaring Eagle on June 2. To become involved in section activities, contact an officer at <http://www.michbar.org/business/leaders.cfm> or attend the June 3 council meeting at Soaring Eagle.

Real Property Law Section

The 31st Annual Summer Conference, "Real Estate 2006: Expect the Best, Prepare for the Worst," will be held July 12–15 at the

Grand Hotel on Mackinac Island. Lawrence Dudek of Miller, Canfield, Paddock and Stone, PLC in Detroit and Ronald Reynolds of Berry, Reynolds and Rogowski, PC in Farmington Hills have planned a timely and informative program. For more information on section activities, visit <http://www.michbar.org/realproperty/> or call Arlene Rubinstein at (248) 644-7378.

Senior Lawyers Section

The section provides education and information through meetings, its website (<http://www.michbar.org/seniorlaw/>), public service, and publication of *The Mentor*. The section presents the Charles Rutherford Award to a senior lawyer who demonstrates qualities of leadership and devotion of time and service to improve the administration of justice and resolution of disputes. The section is producing a disk for the benefit of young lawyers; topics covered include professionalism, financial planning, personal and professional life, and grievances. ♦