

Alternative Dispute Resolution Section

Join us March 22 at The Inn at St. John's in Plymouth for the Advanced Negotiation and Dispute Resolution Institute (ANDRI). This is the premier educational and networking event for ADR practitioners and participants. Nationally known speakers will present on numerous topics, and local practitioners will share expertise on strategic principles of negotiation, preparing your client for mediation, making the first move in negotiations, and more. To register, visit <http://www.icle.org/ANDRI> or call (877) 229-4350.

Appellate Practice Section

Please mark your calendars now for the 2007 edition of the extremely popular Appellate Bench Bar Conference, which is scheduled for May 2-4 at The Inn at St. John's in Plymouth, Michigan. Contact John Bursch at (616) 752-2474 with questions or for additional section information.

Intellectual Property Law Section

The IP Section's Annual Spring Seminar will be held Monday, March 19 at the Kellogg Center in East Lansing, Michigan. At the seminar, you'll receive immediately useful information from leading experts concerning hot trends in patent, trademark, and copyright law; hear from USPTO officials the latest developments from the TTAB, patent rule changes, and appeals tactics; and learn a judge's perspective on electronic discovery in IP litigation.

Labor & Employment Law Section

At its annual Mid-Winter Meeting January 26-27, the section honored H. Rhett Pinsky with the Distinguished Service Award. The meeting included a keynote speech by Professor Kevin Boyle, author of *Arc of Justice: A Saga of Race, Civil Rights, and Murder in the Jazz Age*, and a seminar hosted by the section, featuring legal updates on cases from MERC and the NLRB, employment dis-

crimination cases, and a panel discussion on leave policies.

Legal Assistants Section

The Legal Assistant Day Banquet & Annual Day of Education will be held May 3-4 at the Bavarian Inn in Frankenmuth. The banquet will be on Thursday, May 3 from 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Speaker Diane Bufalin, PhD, will discuss "Winning Without Fighting." The Day of Education will be on Friday, May 4 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. Keynote speaker Vicki Voisin will open, followed by education sessions in three tracks: E-discovery, Labor Law, and Litigation.

Public Corporation Law Section

The Public Corporation Law Section is now distributing the *Quarterly* electronically. Section members received notice with a postcard, allowing them to opt out of the automatic electronic distribution. If you missed the notice and still want to receive hard copies of the *Quarterly*, please call Lori Grigg Bluhm at (248) 524-3323 or write to Lori at 500 W. Big Beaver Rd., Troy, MI 48084. Thank you for your anticipated patience during this transitional time.

Real Property Law Section

Mark your calendars! The 2007 Summer Conference, entitled "Michigan Makeover: Development Edition," will be held July 18-21 at Crystal Mountain Resort, Thompsonville, Michigan. Thank you to Melissa Collar of Warner, Norcross & Judd LLP and Lawrence Dudek of Miller, Canfield, Paddock & Stone, PLC for planning this program. For more information on all section activities, visit our website at <http://www.michbar.org/realproperty/> or call Arlene Rubinstein at (248) 644-7378.

Taxation Section

The section has \$10,000 available for organizations that provide taxpayer assistance to low-income individuals. Grant applications are due March 31. The Annual Tax Conference will be held May 2 at The Inn at St. John's. The State and Local Committee meets March 16 with senior members of Treasury's Tax Policy staff. The Practice and Procedure Committee meets March 22 for "Discovery and the 5th Amendment." For more information about section events, contact Deb Michaelian at (248) 567-7400. ■