Section Briefs

Alternative Dispute Resolution Section

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

What: ADR Section Annual Meeting and Conference

When: September 5-6, 2008

Where: Sheraton Detroit Riverside Hotel

Who: Featuring nationally recognized mediation trainer Anna Tyrrell, presenting "The Brain Science Behind Mediation" and "Mediating with Highly

Positional Parties"

Why: Advanced Mediation Training hours, professional development, networking, socializing, honoring award recipients, a little bit of section business, and an all around good time

Aviation Law Section

The Aviation Law Section was proud to co-sponsor with the Michigan Bureau of Aeronautics an Aviation Safety Seminar, featuring legendary United Airlines Captain Al Haynes, on April 25 in Flint, Michigan. Captain Haynes presented on "crisis management," referencing his own experience piloting United Flight 232 DC-10 to a crash landing at Sioux City, Iowa on July 19, 1989. The evening was well attended by section members, pilots, and aviation enthusiasts.

Business Law Section

The 20th Annual Business Law Institute was held June 13-14 at the Dearborn Inn and was a great success. Next year's Institute will be held May 8-9 in Grand Rap-

ids. The annual meeting will be held September 25 at the Sheraton Detroit Novi. The meeting will include the presentation of the Stephen H. Schulman Award to this year's recipient, G. Ann Baker. Watch for our monthly e-newsletter to learn more about these and other upcoming events.

Consumer Law Section

The section will hold council elections at the next council meeting, scheduled for September 17 at the State Bar Annual Meeting in Dearborn, Michigan. If you are interested in running for a seat on the council, please contact Larry Lacey at (248) 584-2170 or ljlacey@juno.com. The section continues to work on legislation to curb predatory lending and foreclosures, and to make the MCPA more useful.

Insurance and Indemnity Law Section

Our membership has now passed the 250 mark after seven months, and we plan to grow even larger. In addition, because insurance and indemnity touch so many other practice areas, we have a list of speakers who can present to other State Bar sections or other groups on any topic of interest. If your section is planning a program and needs a speaker, contact us and we will be glad to help.

Paralegal/Legal Assistant Section

The Michigan Paralegal is now paperless and being delivered electronically! The

publication is also available from the section's website. Members may contact editor Denise Gau at gau@butzel.com if electronic delivery has not been received. Members without e-mail access may contact Ms. Gau at (313) 983-7402 or c/o Butzel Long, 150 West Jefferson, Suite 100, Detroit, MI 48226 to continue receiving paper copies. Reminder: declarations for candidacy for council positions (available at http://www.michbar.org/ legalassistants/pdfs/Declaration.pdf) are due July 15.

Prisons and Corrections Section

The council met in May to plan the annual meeting. Council elections will be held during the State Bar Annual Meeting in Dearborn on September 19 at 9:30 a.m. Council member terms are for three years. Seven regular positions and one associate position will open. Regular positions are limited to attorneys. Associate members may be non-attorney criminal justice practitioners. Nominating forms may be obtained from the section's web page at http:// www.michbar.org/prisons/ or by request to mjmarutiak@comcast.net.

Real Property Law Section

The 2009 Winter Conference will be at the Hyatt Regency Coconut Point in Bonita Springs, Florida, March 12-14, 2009. Margaret Van Meter of Honigman Miller Schwartz and Cohn and Greg Gamalski of Giarmarco Mullins & Horton PC have created a program on repositioning real estate projects and waterfront development. Day one covers re-positioning and re-adapting commercial, residential, and industrial projects. Day two focuses on commercial waterfronts and port authorities as development partners. For details, call (248) 644-7378.

Taxation Section

The Taxation Section's annual meeting will be held on Thursday, September 25, at the Meadowbrook Country Club in Northville. Lobbyist Tom Hoisington will be the featured speaker. For more information about the annual meeting, please contact Warren Widmayer at (734) 662-0222. ■