

Administrative Law Section

The Nominating Committee of the Administrative Law Section is accepting nominations for the Administrative Law Section Council for 2009–2010. There are four vacancies for three-year terms expiring in 2012. You may submit your nominations to Michael Watzka, section chair-elect, at mike.watzka@kitch.com or c/o Kitch Drutchas Wagner Valitutti & Sherbrook, 1 Woodward Avenue, Suite 2400, Detroit, MI 48226.

Alternative Dispute Resolution Section

The annual State Bar ADR Section meeting will take place September 11–12 at the Amway Grand Plaza Hotel in Grand Rapids. Our featured speaker will be Anderson Little, author of *Making Money Talk: How to Mediate Insured Claims and Other Monetary Disputes*. Please plan on attending. For details, visit the SBM website at <http://www.michbar.org/>.

Appellate Practice Section

Planning is under way for the 2010 Bench-Bar Conference. The conference is scheduled for June 10–11 at the St. John's Conference Center in Plymouth. The planning committee is headed by Liisa Speaker and welcomes volunteers to assist in planning and presenting the conference. Interested persons should contact Ms. Speaker at (517) 482-8933 or lspeaker@speakerlaw.com.

Arts, Communications, Entertainment and Sports Section

The Arts, Communications, Entertainment and Sports Section recently cosponsored with ICLE the seminar, "Hot Topics in Entertainment Law: Gaming & Internet Law." Attendees received advice and perspective on occupational licensing and compliance issues in gaming law, recent legal concerns arising from social networking websites, and the latest and most important e-commerce and entertainment law issues. Special thanks to presenters Lawrence R. Jordan, Douglas L. Minke, Kathryn L. Ossian, and Howard Hertz.

Business Law Section

The annual meeting will be held September 24 at the Sheraton Novi. The meeting will begin with an educational program followed by the business meeting, presentation of the Schulman Outstanding Business Lawyer Award to Justin Klimko, and a cocktail and hors d'oeuvres reception. Watch for our monthly e-newsletter or visit our website at <http://www.michbar.org/business/> to learn more about the section and upcoming events. The section is looking for new members for its committees. Contact section leadership to participate.

Environmental Law Section

The Environmental Law Section has continued to focus on recruiting student members by sponsoring law student gatherings in Detroit and Lansing. The section will sponsor a young professionals gathering at the annual conference of the national Air and Waste Management Association, which will be held in Detroit this year. The section is also attempting to increase membership in the public-sector portion of the Bar. The section hopes to increase its membership with these initiatives.

Prisons and Corrections Section

The Prisons and Corrections Council met in May and adopted positions supporting bills in the legislature known as the "juvenile lifer bills." The council chose October 8 for the "Balancing Our Priorities" symposium in Wayne County on prison population reduction and prevention strategies. Six council positions will be open for election at the annual meeting in September. Information on the symposium, the annual meeting, and the elections is available on the section's website at <http://www.michbar.org/prisons/>.

Real Property Law Section

Save the date! The 34th Annual Summer Conference, "Isles of Prosperity," is scheduled for July 15–18 at the Grand Hotel, Mackinac Island, Michigan. Program chairs are Lorri B. King of Law Offices of King & King PLLC and Dawn M. Patterson of United General Title. Registration after June 1: first-time attendees, \$295; section members, \$350; non-section members, \$400. For more information, visit www.michbar.org/realproperty/ and click "2009 Summer Conference" or call Arlene Rubinstein at (248) 644-7378. ■