

## Administrative Law Section

Best holiday wishes to fellow members of the Bar from the Administrative Law Section Council and members. The section will host several luncheons in 2010, which we expect will include presentations by the Michigan Liquor Control Commission and the Michigan Public Service Commission, as well as a primer on administrative and regulatory procedure. Please join us. Watch for future notices regarding locations, dates, and times.

## Alternative Dispute Resolution Section

The ADR Section is in need of articles on mediation, arbitration, and ADR in general for publication in *The ADR Quarterly*. Please submit articles to Kevin Hendrick at [khendrick@clarkhill.com](mailto:khendrick@clarkhill.com).

## Appellate Practice Section

The Michigan Appellate Bench Bar Conference will take place June 9–11, 2010, at The Inn at St. John's in Plymouth. The theme will be civility and collegiality in the appellate bench and bar. Visit [www.benchbar.org](http://www.benchbar.org) for updates as they are available and to access the report of the 2007 conference.

## Arts, Communications, Entertainment and Sports Section

The Arts, Communications, Entertainment and Sports (ACES) Section began its year with its annual John Hensel Award, presented to a Michigan attorney who has made significant contributions to the arts. This year's honoree was former ACES chairman Jeffrey Richardson. A reception was held at the Birmingham Community Center on October 23. If you would like to get involved or have any questions regarding ACES, please contact its chairman, Ethan Bordman, at [ethanyalebordman@yahoo.com](mailto:ethanyalebordman@yahoo.com).

## Business Law Section

The section is putting together a committee to review and revise the strategic plan. If you'd like to participate, please e-mail

Dee Dee Fuller at [fullerd@fullerlaw.biz](mailto:fullerd@fullerlaw.biz). The next council meeting will be held December 5 at Bodman LLP in Detroit. 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 our section leadership to participate.

## Environmental Law Section

On November 5, the Environmental Law Section cosponsored a conference with the Air and Waste Management Association in Lansing that featured speakers from the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, the Department of Attorney General, the Natural Resources Defense Council, and the Mackinac Center for Public Policy.

## Health Care Law Section

The Health Care Law Section is starting FY 2010 with three educational teleconferences—one on H1N1 influenza and two upcoming on IT contracts and the federal False Claims Act. For details, visit our website at <http://www.michbar.org/health/home.cfm>. We are also soliciting short original articles for publication in our monthly e-newsletter and posting on our website. Please submit proposals to Joanne Lax, section chair, via the website RFP form.

## Information Technology Law Section

The IT Law Section is considering taking a position on HB 5468, a bill to amend the Michigan Uniform Electronic Transactions Act to explicitly provide legal enforceability to electronic judgments and orders of the courts. A special meeting of the section is likely to be called in January to vote on the recommendations of the section's council. Members of the section are encouraged to watch the section's website and newsletter for details: <http://www.michbar.org/computer/news.cfm>.

## International Law Section

With the globalization of Michigan's business economy and the influx of foreign na-

tionals, the International Law Section sees a growing need for lawyers with an interest and expertise in international law. We encourage all members of the section to attend our meetings to learn about our programming. We also encourage all SBM members and law students to consider joining the section as the need for Michigan lawyers with international legal expertise will continue to grow.

## Paralegal/Legal Assistant Section

Marianne B. Delaney, CP, took office as chairperson at the section's annual meeting on September 18. Casey Mobley was elected chair-elect/chairperson/chair ex officio (three-year term). Kelly Dufty, CP, and Denise Gau were elected council members. Mary Jo White was appointed treasurer. Tanya Vella and Valerie A. Fischer were appointed council members. Secretary Jeanne Nyhuis, CP, council members Elsie Morren and Virgie Roth, and chairperson ex officio Nicole Cook will continue to serve on the council.

## Public Corporation Law Section

The Public Corporation Law Section will hold its annual winter conference at The Inn at St. John's Conference Center in Plymouth on Friday, February 5, 2010. Please save the date. Speakers and topics will be released at a later date. The joint PCLS/Michigan Association of Municipal Attorneys summer seminar will be held at the Grand Hotel on Mackinac Island June 25 and 26, 2010.

## Real Property Law Section

The next Groundbreaker Breakfast Roundtable, cosponsored with the Insurance & Indemnity Law Section, is "Sustainable Development and Other Emerging Issues in Construction Risk Management" on January 14, 7:30 a.m.–11:00 a.m., at the Townsend Hotel, Birmingham. Program Chairs: Deborah A. Hebert, Collins, Einhorn, Farrell & Ulanoff; Brian H. Holt, Miller Canfield Paddock & Stone; Amy H. Iannone, Barton Malow Company; and Steven K. Stawski, Smith Haughey Rice & Roegge. For details, call Arlene Rubinstein at (248) 644-7378. Register at <http://e.michbar.org>. ■