Section Briefs

Administrative Law Section

The section's annual meeting will be held in Grand Rapids on Thursday, September 30 beginning at 10 a.m. Professor Don LeDuc, president of Thomas M. Cooley Law School, will discuss the evolution of and major changes in Michigan administrative law. The exact location of the meeting will be published in the final schedule of events for the State Bar Annual Meeting. Questions may be addressed to Program Chair Richard Patterson at (517) 335-4226 or pattersr@ Michigan.gov.

Alternative Dispute Resolution Section

The State Bar ADR Section is hard at work on its annual meeting! Join us on October 22-23 at the Auburn Hills campus of the Thomas M. Cooley Law School. Informative presentations will begin Thursday, October 22 at 11 a.m. and continue on Friday, October 23, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. More information can be found at http://www.michbar.org/adr/events. cfm. We look forward to seeing you there!

Appellate Practice Section

The Appellate Practice Section's annual meeting will be held on Thursday, September 30 at 1 p.m., with business meeting to follow. The program this year is "Post-Judgment Procedures and the Appeal: A panel discussion with Michigan and federal judges and appellate practitioners regarding the pitfalls of post-judgment procedures in state and federal court, and the role of the appellate practitioner in perfecting and preserving issues for an appeal."

Business Law Section

The annual meeting will be held September 23, 3 p.m.-7 p.m., at the Novi Sheraton and will include an educational program and cocktail reception. Alex DeYonker will receive the 2010 Stephen Schulman Outstanding Business Lawyer Award at the annual meeting. Business Boot Camp will be held November 8-9 in Grand Rapids and January 27-28 in Plymouth. Watch for our monthly e-newsletter, visit our website at http://www.michbar.org/business/, or visit our Facebook page to learn about upcoming events.

Criminal Law Section

"Medical Marijuana—Everything You Wanted to Know But Were Afraid to Ask" will be offered at the section's annual meeting at the DeVos Place in Grand Rapids on Friday, October 1. The two-hour panel presentation will begin at 10 a.m., immediately after a short business meeting at which new members will be elected to the council. For questions about the program, contact Opolla Brown at obrown@co.wayne.mi.us.

Environmental Law Section

On June 9, the State Bar dedicated its first legal milestone for environmental law. In WMEAC v MDNR, 405 Mich 741 (1979), the Michigan Supreme Court found that oil drilling in the Pigeon River Country State Forest would damage an elk herd and other wildlife and violate the Michigan Environmental Protection Act. A settlement later enabled monitored drilling to proceed without damaging wildlife. Attorneys for the litigants and State Bar President Charles Toy attended the event.

Information Technology Law Section

Check out our section's news at http:// www.facebook.com/pages/Michigan-IT-Lawyers/105421292829635 and mark your calendars for the annual meeting and ICLE IT Law Seminar on September 22 at The Inn at St. John's in Plymouth. Sponsorship opportunities are available. If interested, please contact Jeremy Bisdorf at (248) 351-3000.

Paralegal/Legal Assistant Section

The 2010 State Bar of Michigan Annual Meeting will be held at the DeVos Place in Grand Rapids, September 29-October 1. The Paralegal/Legal Assistant Section will hold a luncheon at noon on Friday, October 1, followed by the annual business meeting and an educational session. Visit our website at www.michbar.org/paralegal for details.

Real Property Law Section

Congratulations to 2010 RPLS Scholarship Award Program recipients Meghan Curavo, Wayne State University Law School; Jehan Yousry Farrag, Michigan State University College of Law; Scott D. Foess, University of Detroit Mercy School of Law; Helen Mills, Thomas M. Cooley Law School; and Chauncey Mayfield II, University of Michigan Law School. Students were selected by law school faculty for excellence in their advance realproperty-related courses. Award recipients received a cash prize and stipend to cover attendance at the 2011 Summer Conference.

Taxation Section

The section's annual meeting will be held on September 16 at The Inn at St. John's in Plymouth, with dinner to follow. The evening's featured speaker is Lee Sheppard, an attorney and contributing editor at Tax Analysts for 20 years. Ms. Sheppard covers all areas of tax law, including international taxation, corporate taxation, partnership taxation, bankruptcy tax, pensions, and tax accounting.