

Alternative Dispute Resolution Section

The 10th annual Advanced Negotiation and Dispute Resolution Institute will be held on March 17 at The Inn at St. John's. Our keynote speaker, Sharon Press from Hamline University, will address, among other topics, the ethical issues involved in mediation/arbitration sessions. Attendees will be able to pick from presentations in four tracks: negotiation, arbitration, mediation, and family. Visit <http://www.icle.org> to register today.

Business Law Section

The next council meeting will be held March 10 in Lansing. Watch for information regarding the Crain's General/In-House Counsel Awards and Summit Event, which will be held on May 3 in Novi. The 23rd Annual Business Law Institute will be held May 6-7 in Plymouth; register at www.icle.org. Watch for our monthly e-newsletter, visit our website at <http://www.michbar.org/business/>, or become a friend on Facebook to learn of upcoming section events.

Criminal Law Section

Save the date! The Mackinac Policy Conference is scheduled for June 17-19. Together with a distinguished panel of professionals, attendees will examine issues related to criminal law and draft a policy statement. Please

join us for this important biennial conference at the Grand Hotel. The conference is still in the planning stages, but more information will be posted in our newsletter and on our website at <http://www.michbar.org/criminal/news.cfm>. For questions, contact Charlie Marr at (248) 596-1599 or marrlaw@msn.com.

General Practice—Solo and Small Firm Section

The General Practice—Solo and Small Firm Section will cosponsor a panel discussion of family law at the Young Lawyer Summit, scheduled for May 20-21 at the Amway Grand Hotel in Grand Rapids. Topics will include client management, motion practice, and trial. The section is planning a series of seminars on the topics of medical marijuana, short sales and foreclosures, misdemeanors/felonies, and networking.

Labor and Employment Law Section

The Labor and Employment Law Section enjoyed an informative and social Mid-Winter Meeting at the Detroit Athletic Club, where Tom Barnes was honored with the Distinguished Service Award. We were joined by some new faces that we hope to see again in the years to come. We look forward to our Spring Board seminar, set for June 9. Please mark your calendars.

Public Corporation Law Section

The Public Corporation Law Section will sponsor a summer seminar in conjunction with the Michigan Association of Municipal Attorneys on June 24 and 25 at the Grand Hotel on Mackinac Island. Please mark your calendars and save the dates!

Real Property Law Section

The 36th Annual Summer Conference, "Finding the Silver Lining: Real Estate Opportunities Arising from the Economic Crisis," will be held July 20-23 at the Grand Traverse Resort & Spa near Traverse City. Program chairs are Monica J. Labe of Dickinson Wright PLLC in Bloomfield Hills and Clay B. Thomas of MCM Management Corp. in Bloomfield Hills. For more information, visit the section website at www.michbar.org/realproperty/summerconf.cfm or call Arlene Rubinstein at (248) 644-7478. Register online at <http://e.michbar.org>.

Taxation Section

This is a reminder to section members and the bar that the 24th Annual Tax Conference will be held May 12 at The Inn at St. John's in Plymouth. Featured speakers include Eric Solomon, former assistant secretary (Tax Policy); Michigan Treasurer Andrew Dillon; Steven Akers of Bessmer Trust; and Joni Larson of Thomas M. Cooley Law School. For more information, visit the section's website at www.michbar.org/tax/conferences.cfm.

Young Lawyers Section

The YLS will award this year's Regeana Myrick Outstanding Young Lawyer Award at the Fourth Annual Summit in Grand Rapids on Saturday, May 21. The nomination process will begin in early spring; for additional information and award application, visit <http://www.michbar.org/younglawyers/oylaward.cfm>. Regeana Myrick was a past YLS council member who exemplified the section's commitment to serving the bar and the public. Last year's award recipient was David L. Campbell of Bowman and Brooke, LLP in Troy. ■