

## Administrative & Regulatory Law Section

The annual meeting of the section will be held at 10 a.m. on Friday, September 16 in conjunction with the State Bar of Michigan Annual Meeting at the Hyatt Regency in Dearborn. Our speaker will be Mike Zimmer, executive director of the Michigan Administrative Hearing System. A short business meeting, including election of new council members, will follow.

## Alternative Dispute Resolution Section

Save the date! The ADR Section will hold its annual meeting September 23–24 at the Amway Hotel in Grand Rapids. This year's speakers are Tracy Allen and Eric Galton. The session will start with a brief overview of what's working in ADR. The speakers will also facilitate a discussion on the relationship between mediation and arbitration and how arbitration can be a technique for breaking a mediation impasse—a timely topic.

## Business Law Section

The annual meeting will be held September 13 at the Sheraton Detroit Novi. It will include an educational seminar, presentation of the Stephen Schulman Outstand-

ing Business Lawyer Award, and cocktail reception. Business Boot Camp II—Basic Training for Business Lawyers will be held November 7–8 in Grand Rapids and January 23–24, 2012 in Plymouth. Watch for our monthly e-newsletter, visit our website at <http://www.michbar.org/business/>, or become a friend on Facebook to learn more about these and other section events.

## Criminal Law Section

The annual program and meeting will be held on September 16. Council elections will take place during the meeting, which begins at 9 a.m. The program, "Monitoring Sex Offenders: How We Do It and Does It Work," is 10 a.m.–12 p.m. Learn about the revised Sex Offender Registry Act, standard parole conditions for sex offenders, and the costs and consequences of sex offender monitoring. More information will be included in our newsletter and at <http://www.michbar.org/criminal>.

## Environmental Law Section

The section's annual summer program on June 24 featured updates on Asian carp, water withdrawal, and renewable energy, with a tour of the MSU Anaerobic Digestion Center. Our recent *Michigan Environmental Law Journal* can be found at [www.michbar.org/environmental/lawjournal.cfm](http://www.michbar.org/environmental/lawjournal.cfm). While on our website, check out our networking and resource materials. Our annual meeting and program will be held on September 15 in Dearborn. We also hope to see you at the Environmental Law Section's 30th anniversary celebration on October 6 in Lansing.

## General Practice—Solo and Small Firm Section

The General Practice—Solo and Small Firm Section hosted a family law panel for the Young Lawyers Summit on May 21. Panelists were Judge Edward Sosnick, David Sarnacki, and Referee Marie Kessler. A luncheon seminar, "Medical Marijuana: The Law is Evolving—What You Need to Know," was held June 9. Our third luncheon seminar, "How to Represent Criminal Defendants,"

will be held July 14 at Ginopolis Restaurant. Featured speakers are William Cataldo and Elias Escobedo.

## International Law Section

Our 2011 annual meeting and program entitled "Structuring and Resolving Disputes under International Joint Ventures" will be held in conjunction with the SBM Annual Meeting on Thursday, September 15 at the Hyatt Regency Dearborn from 11:30 a.m. to 5:50 p.m.

## Master Lawyers Section

The Master Lawyers Section will hold its summer meeting August 26–28 at Crystal Mountain and will feature Shel Stark speaking on alternative dispute resolution. There will also be a panel discussion on "Practicing Safely and Effectively After Sixty." Our council meeting at the annual meeting is Wednesday, September 14 from 9:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m., followed immediately by our section program.

## Paralegal/Legal Assistant Section

Notice of call for declaration of candidacy for officers and members of the section council: one chairperson-elect (three-year term), one secretary (two-year term), and three council members (two-year terms) will be elected at the section's annual meeting on September 16 in Dearborn. Declarations of candidacy must be submitted by August 1. The declaration and additional information are available at [www.michbar.org/paralegal](http://www.michbar.org/paralegal) on the "Council Information" page.

## Real Property Law Section

Mark your calendars! The Annual Winter Conference will be held March 15–17, 2012 at the Loews Portofino Bay Hotel at Universal Orlando, Florida. Program coordinators are Melissa B. Papke of Varnum Law in Grand Rapids and Nicholas P. Scavone Jr. of Bodman PLC in Detroit. More information will be available this fall or call Arlene Rubinstein at (248) 644-7378. ■