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There's never been a better time to invest in yourself and your practice—and never a better occasion than your annual meeting! Attend your section council meeting, an array of SBM networking events, a huge vendor hall with giveaways and practice assistance, and the most exciting *Solo & Small Firm Institute* yet!

Whether you're ready to start your new practice or enhance your current one, the *Institute* provides the tools you need with sessions from outstanding speakers on timely topics—innovative ways to market yourself using social media, practicing effectively in the “cloud,” selecting useful technology, substantive law updates and tips, techniques for increasing productivity, strategies to reduce expenses, and approaches to enhance the quality of your life. For best results, bring your whole staff to catch every session!



Social Media for Lawyers

Tweeting? Blogging? LinkedIn? If you're not, find out why you should be! Don't miss our *Marketing & Social Media* breakout track on Friday. Get advice, real-world experience, and the tools you'll need to create a winning social media strategy!

Rejuvenate Your Practice at the Most Valuable Program You Will Attend This Year!

Increase Exposure—Market Your Practice in Innovative and Inexpensive Ways

- Get a model business development plan and take your connections to a deeper level
- Find new clients and capture more business from your current caseload
- Motivate clients to spread the word about your high-quality services and get positive client reviews to appear on Google
- Realize significant business gains through social media
- Develop a blog that engages your audience and keeps you in the forefront of clients' minds
- Give your LinkedIn profile an extreme makeover to build your reputation and expand your network

Energize Your Client Representation—Handle the Hottest Issues

- Everything you need to know about underwater residential property
- Take advantage of the Michigan Trust Code to draft personalized revocable trusts for every client
- Effectively deal with an aging client
- Help employers put together effective social media policies
- Handle MIP cases and protect the future of your young client
- Get the most out of every deposition

Save Time—Technology Made Easy

- Follow in the footsteps of lawyers who have embraced technology and revolutionized their practices
- Take advantage of all Adobe Acrobat has to offer
- Select the smartphone or tablet PC that's right for you, then get the best apps for lawyers
- Never lose a document again—streamline your office with electronic document management
- Collaborate and share documents in the “cloud”
- Maximize your technology dollars—find out how with a technology audit

Improve Your Bottom Line—Employ Smart Practice Management Techniques

- Analyze financial data and trends to make better business decisions
- Get the essentials of good communication that enable you to stay focused and follow up effectively
- Learn the answer to the eternal question, “How do I choose clients that will actually pay me?”
- Avoid the 21 ways you may be killing your practice
- Reduce staffing costs with today's best voice recognition software
- Go virtual and run your practice on hundreds of dollars a month

Featured Speakers at the Solo & Small Firm INSTITUTE



Angela B. Frye

Counsel, Midwest Area
Verizon Wireless
Schaumburg, IL

Angela B. Frye serves as counsel for the company's Midwest area. As counsel, she provides legal support for Verizon Wireless's network and retail organizations, handling a variety of zoning, contract, leasing, and litigation matters. Ms. Frye

also handles legal escalations involving tax, bankruptcy, privacy, partnership, and public relations matters for the Midwest area. She speaks nationally at bar conventions on the best smartphone apps for lawyers. She graduated with highest honors from the Illinois Institute of Technology's Chicago–Kent School of Law.



Karen B. Kahn Ed.D. PCC

Co-Managing Partner
Threshold Advisors LLC
Westport, CT

Founder and co-managing partner of the firm, Karen B. Kahn is a certified coach and consultant dedicated to developing strong, successful leaders and organizations where leaders can thrive. She consults with and coaches lawyers and law firms, teaching

business development, strategic thinking, clear communication, personal effectiveness, team building, and relationship development. As a recognized "gender expert," she creates and strengthens women's initiatives, lends new insight on ways to attract and retain talent, and delivers programs that enhance the working relationships of men and women. For more than 30 years, she maintained a successful private practice that combined coaching and psychology. Her pioneering work with the Ohio State University Athletic Department during the initiation of Title IX made her one of the first Division I sports psychologists in the country.



Barron K. Henley

Affinity Consulting Group LLC
Columbus, OH

Barron K. Henley is an attorney, a "legal technologist" since 1990, and a founding member of Affinity Consulting Group (formerly Henley March and Unger Consulting, Inc.), a firm that handles all aspects of law practice automation including document assembly, case

management, document management, legal accounting software, trial presentation and litigation support, paper reduction and scanning, hardware, networks and servers, and security. He is a member of the ABA Law Practice Management Section and is the former chairperson of the OSBA Law Office Automation and Technology Committee.



Ann M. Guinn

G & P Associates
Kent, WA

A principal of the firm, Ann M. Guinn is a consultant to solo and small law firm practitioners. With more than 30 years in the legal community, she teaches attorneys how to build and maintain high-earning, client-centered, and satisfying law practices. Ms. Guinn offers her services through

teleseminars, monthly membership group classes, CLE courses, and one-on-one consulting sessions. She has served as an advisor to the executive committee of the Washington State Bar Association's Solo and Small Practice Section since 1994. Ms. Guinn is author of the book *Minding Your Own Business: The Solo and Small Firm Lawyer's Guide to a Profitable Practice* (ABA 2010).



Kevin O'Keefe

CEO and Publisher
LexBlog Inc.
Seattle, WA

Kevin O'Keefe is chief executive officer and publisher of *LexBlog*, a leading provider of social media solutions and strategies to law firms. Mr. O'Keefe was a trial lawyer for 17 years, successfully marketing his law firm via the Internet in such a positive way

that *USA Today* said, "If he isn't careful, he may wind up giving lawyers a good name." He founded *PrairieLaw.com*, an online law community for consumers and small-business people, later acquired by LexisNexis and now incorporated into Martindale-Hubbell's *www.lawyers.com*. Mr. O'Keefe's blog, *Real Lawyers Have Blogs*, is a leading source of information on the use of blogs and other social media for lawyers and law firms.



Janet K. Welch

Executive Director
State Bar of Michigan
Lansing

Janet K. Welch is executive director of the State Bar of Michigan. She has had an extensive career in state government, beginning in the Michigan legislature where she served as a legislative analyst in the House and as the first director of the

Senate's nonpartisan legislative analysis office. After graduating from the University of Michigan Law School, Ms. Welch was a law clerk for Michigan Supreme Court Justice Robert P. Griffin. She stayed at the Court for over a decade in a variety of positions, culminating in a position as Supreme Court counsel.

SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE

State Bar of Michigan Events (Separate registration required)

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8:15am	Getting the Most Out of Your ICLE Partnership Demonstration by ICLE Staff	8:00am–9:30am Continental Breakfast
9:00am	Welcome and Introductions Elizabeth A. Silverman, Chair, General Practice—Solo and Small Firm Section of the State Bar of Michigan, Elizabeth A. Silverman PC, Farmington Hills	8:00am–5:00pm Vendor Showcase
9:20am	Report from the Executive Director Janet K. Welch, Executive Director, State Bar of Michigan, Lansing	9:00am–5:00pm Representative Assembly Business Meeting
9:40am	KEYNOTE PRESENTATION: The Art, Science, and Strategy of Forming Valuable Professional Relationships Karen B. Kahn Ed.D. PCC, Co-Managing Partner, Threshold Advisors LLC, Westport, CT	9:30am–11:30am Young Lawyers Section Business Meeting
10:40am	Vendor Showcase Break	9:30am–12:00pm Family Law Section Business Meeting Litigation Section Business Meeting
		9:30am–12:00pm Master Lawyers Section Council Meeting & Program
		10:00am–11:30am Casemaker Training

Thursday, September 15, 2011 continued

Solo & Small Firm INSTITUTE			SBM ANNUAL MEETING
11:00am	SUBSTANTIVE LAW	Family Law Update Janice K. Cunningham, Mallory Cunningham Lapka Scott & Selin PLLC, <i>Lansing</i>	10:00am–12:00pm Equal Access Initiative Disabilities Work Group Program
	LAW PRACTICE MANAGEMENT	Putting the Strategy to Work—Part 1: Making Great Connections Happen Karen B. Kahn Ed.D. PCC, Co-Managing Partner, Threshold Advisors LLC, <i>Westport, CT</i>	10:00am–12:00pm State Bar of Michigan Past Presidents' Advisory Council Business Meeting
	TECHNOLOGY	Technology Audits: Providing Guidance and Direction for the Technology Future of Your Firm Barron K. Henley, Affinity Consulting Group LLC, <i>Columbus, OH</i>	10:00am–11:30am Insurance and Indemnity Law Section Business Meeting & Program
12:00pm	Lunch and Annual Meeting Functions		12:00pm–2:00pm State Bar of Michigan Inaugural Luncheon
2:00pm	SUBSTANTIVE LAW	Underwater Property: Options to Avoid Capsizing William M. Schlecte, Schlecte Law Firm PC, <i>Ann Arbor</i>	12:00pm–5:30pm International Law Section Business Meeting & Program
	LAW PRACTICE MANAGEMENT	Putting the Strategy to Work—Part 2: Met Great People? Now What? Karen B. Kahn Ed.D. PCC, Co-Managing Partner, Threshold Advisors LLC, <i>Westport, CT</i>	1:00pm–4:00pm Appellate Practice Section Business Meeting & Program
	TECHNOLOGY	Smartphone Roundup 2011 Barron K. Henley, Affinity Consulting Group LLC, <i>Columbus, OH</i>	1:00pm–1:45pm General Practice—Solo and Small Firm Section Business Meeting
2:50pm	SUBSTANTIVE LAW	Dealing with the Aging Client Dustin S. Foster, Assistant Professor, Thomas M. Cooley Law School, <i>Auburn Hills</i>	1:30pm–6:30pm Environmental Law Section Program & Business Meeting
	LAW PRACTICE MANAGEMENT	Electronic File Management—Streamline Your Office with Better Document Management Barron K. Henley, Affinity Consulting Group LLC, <i>Columbus, OH</i>	2:00pm–3:30pm Casemaker Training
	TECHNOLOGY	The Joy of Tablets Randy Arden Musbach, Law Office of Randy Musbach, <i>Chelsea</i> ; Angela B. Frye, Counsel, Midwest Area, Verizon Wireless, <i>Schaumburg, IL</i>	2:00pm–4:00pm Consumer Law Section Business Meeting & Program
3:35pm	Vendor Showcase Break		2:00pm–4:00pm Michigan Retired Judges Association Business Meeting
3:55pm	SUBSTANTIVE LAW	The Michigan LLC Act: Good News for Debtors Cynthia L. Umphrey, Kemp Klein Law Firm, <i>Troy</i>	2:00pm–5:00pm Labor & Employment Law Section Business Meeting & Program
	LAW PRACTICE MANAGEMENT	Clio Practice Management Tools: Manage Your Law Firm Online and On-the-Go Diane Ebersole, Practice Management Advisor, State Bar of Michigan, <i>Lansing</i>	4:30pm–6:00pm Law School Receptions Michigan State University Thomas M. Cooley University of Detroit Mercy University of Michigan Wayne State University
	TECHNOLOGY	The Best Smartphone Apps for Lawyers Angela B. Frye, Counsel, Midwest Area, Verizon Wireless, <i>Schaumburg, IL</i> ; William A. McNeil, McNeil Law Office PLC, <i>Paw Paw</i>	6:30pm–8:30pm Celebrating Diversity Reception
4:45pm	SUBSTANTIVE LAW	Medical Marijuana Update Matthew R. Abel, Cannabis Counsel PLC, <i>Detroit</i>	
	LAW PRACTICE MANAGEMENT	Cloud Computing: Managing Legal Risks and Ethical Issues Kathryn L. Ossian, Miller Canfield Paddock and Stone PLC, <i>Detroit</i>	
	TECHNOLOGY	50 Tips in 50 Minutes Barron K. Henley, Affinity Consulting Group LLC, <i>Columbus, OH</i>	

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10:00am	KEYNOTE PRESENTATION: Technology to Revolutionize Your Practice and Revitalize Your Life Barron K. Henley, Affinity Consulting Group LLC, <i>Columbus, OH</i>	9:00am–12:00pm Criminal Law Section Business Meeting & Program
10:50am	Vendor Showcase Break	9:00am–12:00pm Paralegal/Legal Assistant Section Business Meeting & Program
11:10am	SUBSTANTIVE LAW The Ultimate Revocable Grantor Trust Michele C. Marquardt, DeMent and Marquardt PLC, <i>Kalamazoo</i>	9:30am–12:00pm Michigan Lawyers Auxiliary Business Meeting
	LAW PRACTICE MANAGEMENT Online Reputation Management for Every Lawyer Brendan B. Chard, The Modern Firm LLC, <i>Ann Arbor</i>	10:00am–11:30am Casemaker Training
	TECHNOLOGY Adobe Acrobat X and PDFing for Lawyers Barron K. Henley, Affinity Consulting Group LLC, <i>Columbus, OH</i>	10:00am–12:00pm Children’s Law Section Business Meeting & Program
	MARKETING & SOCIAL MEDIA Effective Blogging Techniques for Lawyers Kevin O’Keefe, CEO and Publisher, LexBlog Inc., <i>Seattle, WA</i>	10:00am–12:00pm Administrative & Regulatory Law Section Business Meeting & Program
12:00pm	Lunch and Annual Meeting Functions	12:00pm–2:00pm State Bar of Michigan Dedication Luncheon
2:00pm	SUBSTANTIVE LAW Social Media and Employment Law Brian E. Koncius, Bogas Koncius & Croson PC, <i>Bingham Farms</i> ; Joseph A. Starr, Starr Butler Alexopoulos & Stoner PLLC, <i>Southfield</i>	12:00pm–3:30pm Antitrust, Franchising & Trade Regulation Section Business Meeting, Lunch & Program
	LAW PRACTICE MANAGEMENT Use Last Year’s Lessons to Make This Your Best Year Ever Ann M. Guinn, G & P Associates, <i>Kent, WA</i>	12:00pm–2:00pm Law Practice Management and Legal Administrators Section Business Meeting & Program
	TECHNOLOGY Trial Resources That Get You Organized and Amaze Your Trier of Fact JoAnn L. Hathaway, Practice Management Advisor, State Bar of Michigan, <i>Lansing</i>	1:00pm–3:00pm Michigan District Judges Association Business Meeting
	MARKETING & SOCIAL MEDIA Can’t Imagine Using Twitter for Business Development? Think Again Kevin O’Keefe, CEO and Publisher, LexBlog Inc., <i>Seattle, WA</i>	Negligence Law Section Business Meeting & Program
2:55pm	SUBSTANTIVE LAW Effective Depositions Barbara A. Patek, Erman Teicher Miller Zucker & Freedman PC, <i>Southfield</i>	1:00pm–4:00pm American Indian Law Section Business Meeting & Program
	LAW PRACTICE MANAGEMENT 21 Ways to Effectively Kill Your Practice Without Even Trying Ann M. Guinn, G & P Associates, <i>Kent, WA</i>	1:30pm–4:00pm Animal Law Section Business Meeting
	TECHNOLOGY The Virtual Office: Your Own, Personal Cloud 9 Barron K. Henley, Affinity Consulting Group LLC, <i>Columbus, OH</i>	
	MARKETING & SOCIAL MEDIA Using LinkedIn for More Than a Profile Kevin O’Keefe, CEO and Publisher, LexBlog Inc., <i>Seattle, WA</i>	
3:45pm	Networking Break	
4:00pm	SUBSTANTIVE LAW Handling Minor-in-Possession Cases Michele D. Kelly, Kelly & Kelly PC, <i>Northville</i>	
	LAW PRACTICE MANAGEMENT Getting Paid, Collecting Fees, and Keeping Overhead Low Ann M. Guinn, G & P Associates, <i>Kent, WA</i> ; Rebecca Simkins, Barris Sott Denn & Driker PLLC, <i>Detroit</i>	
	TECHNOLOGY Voice Recognition Software—Dragon NaturallySpeaking Barron K. Henley, Affinity Consulting Group LLC, <i>Columbus, OH</i>	
	MARKETING & SOCIAL MEDIA Marketing for the Frugal Practitioner Shon A. Cook, Williams Hughes & Cook PLLC, <i>Muskegon</i>	

The State Bar of Michigan and The Institute of Continuing Legal Education

Working to Help You Build Your Practice

Whether you are an experienced solo or small firm practitioner, a new law graduate, or leaving your firm to go out on your own, the *State Bar of Michigan Annual Meeting* and *Solo & Small Firm Institute* is the perfect place to be. Take advantage of numerous networking opportunities and expert guidance from other successful solo and small firm practitioners. Whatever your needs, count on your annual meeting to provide you with access to the tools you need.



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ANNUAL MEETING SCHEDULE DETAILS

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Roberts P. Hudson Award

James K. Robinson (*posthumously*)

Frank J. Kelley Distinguished Public Service Award

Hon. John A. Hallacy

John H. Logie

Hon. Milton L. Mack Jr.

John W. Reed Michigan Lawyer Legacy Award

Harold Norris

Champion of Justice Award

Jacqueline Doig

Barry L. Howard and Edward H. Pappas

Kary L. Moss

Prof. Monica Nuckolls and Hon. M. T. Thompson Jr.

Rebecca Shiemke

Kimberly M. Cahill Bar Leadership Award

A for Attorney Program—Lisa Kirsch Satawa and James Samuels

John W. Cummiskey Pro Bono Award

Elizabeth J. Fossel

State Bar of Michigan

Awards Banquet (continued)

Liberty Bell Award

Kate White

Judy Ellis

Michigan Defense Trial Counsel—

Respected Advocate Award

To Be Announced

Michigan Association for Justice—

Respected Advocate Award

To Be Announced

2011 Michigan State Bar Foundation

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Representative Assembly Business Meeting

9:30am–12:00pm

Family Law Section Business Meeting

9:30am–12:00pm

Litigation Section Business Meeting

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Master Lawyers Section Council Meeting

10:00am–12:00pm

Master Lawyers Section Program

9:30am–11:30am

Young Lawyers Section Business Meeting

10:00am–11:30am

Casemaker Training

10:00am–12:00pm

Equal Access Initiative Disabilities Work Group Program

DNR Decisions Impacting Persons with Disabilities

Who decides? This session will address the important and timely topic of decision-making regarding do not resuscitate (DNR) orders for individuals with significant cognitive limitations. Who may execute a DNR order and under what circumstances?

Speakers: Mark A. Cody, Michigan Protection and Advocacy Service, Inc., Lansing; Hon. Milton L. Mack Jr., Wayne County Probate Court, Detroit; J. Kay Felt, (retired), Dykema Gossett PLLC, Health Care Practice Group, Detroit; Tom Tomlinson, Ph.D., Center for Ethics and Humanities in the Life Sciences, Michigan State University, East Lansing

10:00am–12:00pm

State Bar of Michigan Past Presidents' Advisory Council Business Meeting

10:00am–10:30am

Insurance and Indemnity Law Section Business Meeting

10:30am–11:30am

Insurance and Indemnity Law Section Program

Is There Bad Faith in Michigan?

A Discussion of Claims and Defenses

What remedies are available to a policyholder when there is an insurance coverage dispute with its insurer? What defenses are available to the insurer? What are the consequences of pursuing those claims or defenses? How can an insurance coverage dispute affect parties in related underlying litigation? Join the Insurance and Indemnity Law Section for a panel discussion on this complicated issue, which impacts many different areas of the law.

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W. Anthony Jenkins
SBM President
2010–2011



Julie I. Fershtman
SBM President
2011–2012

12:00pm–1:00pm

International Law Section Business Meeting & Lunch

1:00pm–5:30pm

International Law Section Program

Structuring and Resolving Disputes Arising in Connection with International Joint Ventures

Join us for a two-part panel discussion about the practical implications of establishing, maintaining, and dissolving international joint ventures, as well as how we resolve real disputes that arise within international joint ventures.

Panelists: Colleen Freeburg, General Motors Corp, Warren; Kathleen C. Kozlowski, Ford Motor Company, Dearborn; Andrew Bos, Caraco Pharmaceutical Laboratories Ltd, Detroit; Margaret Fukuda, Delphi Automotive Systems, Troy; Tom Miller, Matias Energy LLC, Madison Heights; Sharon McInay, Matias Energy LLC, Madison Heights

Moderators: Richard Goetz, Dykema Gossett PLLC, Detroit; John S. Wilson, John S. Wilson PLC, Ann Arbor

1:00pm–1:45pm

**Appellate Practice Section
Business Meeting**

2:00pm–4:00pm

**Appellate Practice Section
Program****To Publish or Not to Publish**

A lively discussion with four Michigan Court of Appeals judges about published vs. unpublished opinions.

Panelists: Hon. Peter O'Connell, Lansing; Hon. Michael Talbot, Detroit; Hon. Elizabeth Gleicher, Detroit; Hon. Kirsten Frank Kelly, Detroit

Moderator: Liisa R. Speaker, Speaker Law Firm PLLC, Lansing

1:00pm–1:45pm

**General Practice—
Solo and Small Firm Section
Business Meeting**

1:30pm–4:45pm

**Environmental Law Section
Program**

5:00pm–6:30pm

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**Consumer Law Section
Business Meeting**

2:30pm–4:00pm

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**Michigan Retired Judges Association
Business Meeting**

2:00pm–2:15pm

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2:15pm–5:00pm

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Business Meeting**

10:00am–12:00pm

**Criminal Law Section
Program****Monitoring Sex Offenders:
How We Do It and Does It Work**

Discussion of Michigan's revised sex offender registry law, standard parole conditions for sex offenders, and the costs and consequences of monitoring sex offenders.

9:00am–10:00am

**Paralegal/Legal Assistant Section
Business Meeting**

10:00am–12:00pm

**Paralegal/Legal Assistant Section
Program****"Super Drunk" Law**

The Paralegal/Legal Assistant Section's "birthday" coincides with the recent implementation of Michigan's "super drunk" law concerning greater penalties for motorists under the influence of alcohol. Join us in hearing more on this subject that impacts our personal lives, professional services, and society.

Speaker: Patrick I. Barone, Barone Defense Firm, Birmingham

9:30am–12:00pm

**Michigan Lawyers Auxiliary
Business Meeting**

10:00am–10:30am

**Administrative & Regulatory Law Section
Business Meeting**

10:30am–12:00pm

**Administrative & Regulatory Law Section
Program****The New Michigan Administrative
Hearing System**

Executive Reorganization Order 2011-4 created the Michigan Administrative Hearing System, effective April 24, 2011, replacing the SOAHR and other tribunals. Its executive director will discuss the impact of these changes on administrative hearings.

Speaker: Michael Zimmer, Michigan Administrative Hearing System, Lansing

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**Law Practice Management
and Legal Administrators Section
Program****Q&A for Your Law Practice Day**

Features lunch and interactive discussions with leaders who will field your individual questions and concerns about technology, marketing, administration, productivity, billing, etc.

1:00pm–2:00pm

**American Indian Law Section
Business Meeting**

2:00pm–4:00pm

**American Indian Law Section
Program****A Day in Tribal Court**

Tribal court attorneys and judges will present common cases heard in tribal court. A question-and-answer period will follow with the opportunity to learn more information about tribal court policies and procedures as well as cultural customs.

1:00pm–3:00pm

**Michigan District Judges Association
Business Meeting**

1:00pm–3:00pm

**Negligence Law Section
Business Meeting & Program**

1:30pm–4:00pm

**Animal Law Section
Business Meeting**

REGISTRATION FORM (Please photocopy this form for additional registrants.)

Early Bird Savings End August 19, 2011

Register me for the following FREE Annual Meeting Events:

SECTION AND ANCILLARY GROUP MEETINGS TIMES

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2011

- ARTS, COMMUNICATIONS, ENTERTAINMENT & SPORTS SECTION 2:00PM–4:30PM
- REAL PROPERTY LAW SECTION COUNCIL 12:00PM–2:00PM

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2011

- APPELLATE PRACTICE SECTION 1:00PM–4:00PM
- CASEMAKER TRAINING 10:00AM–11:30AM
- CASEMAKER TRAINING 2:00PM–3:30PM
- CONSUMER LAW SECTION 2:00PM–4:00PM
- ENVIRONMENTAL LAW SECTION 1:30PM–6:30PM
- EQUAL ACCESS INITIATIVE DISABILITIES WORK GROUP 10:00AM–12:00PM
- FAMILY LAW SECTION 9:30AM–12:00PM
- GENERAL PRACTICE—SOLO AND SMALL FIRM SECTION 1:00PM–1:45PM
- INSURANCE AND INDEMNITY LAW SECTION 10:00AM–11:30AM
- INTERNATIONAL LAW SECTION 12:00PM–5:30PM
- LABOR & EMPLOYMENT LAW SECTION 2:00PM–5:00PM
- LITIGATION SECTION 9:30AM–12:00PM
- MASTER LAWYERS SECTION 9:30AM–12:00PM
- MICHIGAN RETIRED JUDGES ASSOCIATION 2:00PM–4:00PM
- REPRESENTATIVE ASSEMBLY 9:00AM–5:00PM
- YOUNG LAWYERS SECTION 9:30AM–11:30AM

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2011

- ADMINISTRATIVE & REGULATORY LAW SECTION 10:00AM–12:00PM
- AMERICAN INDIAN LAW SECTION 1:00PM–4:00PM
- ANIMAL LAW SECTION 1:30PM–4:00PM
- ANTITRUST, FRANCHISING & TRADE REGULATION SECTION MEETING AND LUNCH 12:00PM–3:30PM
- CASEMAKER TRAINING 10:00AM–11:30AM
- CHILDREN'S LAW SECTION 10:00AM–12:00PM
- CRIMINAL LAW SECTION 9:00AM–12:00PM
- LAW PRACTICE MANAGEMENT AND LEGAL ADMINISTRATORS SECTION 12:00PM–2:00PM
- MICHIGAN DISTRICT JUDGES ASSOCIATION 1:00PM–3:00PM
- MICHIGAN LAWYERS AUXILIARY 9:30AM–12:00PM
- NEGLIGENCE LAW SECTION 1:00PM–3:00PM
- PARALEGAL/LEGAL ASSISTANT SECTION 9:00AM–12:00PM

Register me for the Solo & Small Firm Institute:

(Includes materials on CD-ROM. Register for printed handbook and meals separately.)

DATES	INSTITUTE FEES
BOTH DAYS 9/15–16/2011	<input type="radio"/> \$145 EARLY BIRD* <input type="radio"/> \$195 REGULAR
THURSDAY ONLY 9/15/2011	<input type="radio"/> \$80 EARLY BIRD* <input type="radio"/> \$105 REGULAR
FRIDAY ONLY 9/16/2011	<input type="radio"/> \$80 EARLY BIRD* <input type="radio"/> \$105 REGULAR

Attending AND want the printed handbook?

PRINTED HANDBOOK TITLE	PRINTED HANDBOOK FEES
2011 SOLO & SMALL FIRM INSTITUTE	<input type="radio"/> \$55

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2011 SOLO & SMALL FIRM INSTITUTE	<input type="radio"/> \$232

Register me for the following Networking Events and Meals:

(Contact Amy Castner to reserve tables at meal events. (517) 346-6322 or acastner@mail.michbar.org)

EVENT TITLE	# OF TKTS	EVENT FEES
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2011		
STATE BAR AWARDS BANQUET	_____ x	<input type="radio"/> \$66 EARLY BIRD* <input type="radio"/> \$70 REGULAR
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2011		
CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST	_____ x	<input type="radio"/> FREE
STATE BAR INAUGURAL LUNCHEON	_____ x	<input type="radio"/> \$44 EARLY BIRD* <input type="radio"/> \$48 REGULAR
CELEBRATING DIVERSITY RECEPTION	_____ x	<input type="radio"/> \$10
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2011		
CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST	_____ x	<input type="radio"/> FREE
LEGAL MILESTONE DEDICATION LUNCHEON	_____ x	<input type="radio"/> \$44 EARLY BIRD* <input type="radio"/> \$48 REGULAR

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2011 SOLO & SMALL FIRM INSTITUTE REGISTRATION SUBTOTAL	\$ _____
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