

Alternative Dispute Resolution Section

The section's annual meeting program immersed participants in discussions about the development of ADR in the next five years. Best practices found in other jurisdictions, and Michigan, were examined; the essential participants in the expansion of ADR and their respective roles were identified, and wise guidance to mediators was offered in the two-day forum led by Harry Goodheart, III of the Florida Bar. Richard Hurford was elected 2005 Chairperson and Alan Kanter was named Chairperson-Elect.

Appellate Practice Section

Appellate Practice Section Council officers for 2004-05: Mark Cooney (chair), Deborah Hebert (chair-elect), Linda Garbarino

(treasurer), and Barbara Goldman (secretary). Council members: Paul Bernard, Brion Brooks, Joseph Firestone, Kathleen McCree Lewis, Rosalind Rochkind, Michael Updike, John Bursch, Judith Curtis, Ronald Lederman, Timothy Noonan, Mary Massaron Ross, James Edward Wyszynski, Janet Boes, Terry Flanagan, Marcia Howe, Anica Letica, and Gerald Posner. For information about Council meetings or how you can participate, please contact John Bursch, (616) 752-2474.

Legal Assistants Section

The Legal Assistants Section selected new council members and officers for the upcoming term at the Annual Meeting on October 1. Vicki Voisin was elected to the position of Chairperson-Elect. New council members Susan Brey, Heather Hill, Katherine Mansfield (formerly Katherine Golden)

and Ruth Schaub were also elected. Kathleen Kasiorek assumed the position of Chairperson as Kathy Ann Blunck moved into the position of Chair-Ex-Officio. The council anticipates an exciting 2004-2005 term.

Young Lawyers Section

November 4: "Can Women Really Have it All?," 6-8 p.m., Southfield Skyline Club, 2000 Town Center, Suite 2800. November 8: "Legal Writing Seminar," 8:30-10 a.m., State Bar Building, 306 Townsend. Register for either program by e-mailing JNordeen@mail.michbar.org. Serve holiday dinners and provide a Holiday Program for residents of Grace Centers for Hope in Pontiac, 4-8 p.m., December 4; Doorsteps Homeless Shelter in Highland Park, 3-6 p.m., December 11. Questions: contact Angelique Strong Marks at (248) 470-2616. ♦