

Alternative Dispute Resolution Section

On February 15, the section will co-sponsor Kim Papillon's "The Neuroscience of Decision-Making: What's Really Controlling the Way You Think?" at Detroit Mercy Law School. The March 20 ADR Summit features Lee Jay Berman on "Harnessing the Power of the Master Mediator: Seeing New Things in the Same Old Rooms" at Cooley Law School in Auburn Hills. The 2018 annual meeting and conference will be held October 12–13 in Traverse City.

Business Law Section

Congratulations to John Trentacosta, 2017 recipient of the Schulman Outstanding Business Lawyer Award. Business Boot Camp II will be held in Plymouth on January 29–30. Sign up today at <http://connect.michbar.org/businesslaw/events/>. You are invited to participate in the next council meeting on March 1 at the State Bar of Michigan in Lansing. The section's committees need you! Visit <http://connect.michbar.org/businesslaw/home> to sign up to participate on committees and learn about upcoming events.

Criminal Law Section

On February 17–19, the Criminal Law Section will offer its 41st Mid-Winter Ski Conference at Shanty Creek Resort. Tim Baughman opens the conference with his review of high-impact court decisions. The popular event continues with all-day sessions on Sunday. Register in advance—only \$25 for Criminal Law Section members—at <https://e.michbar.org>. For more information on the conference, visit our website at <http://connect.michbar.org/criminallaw/home>. For program questions,

contact Opolla Brown at obrown@wayne-county.com or (313) 224-5731.

Elder Law and Disability Rights Section

Our 16th Annual Spring Conference will be held on March 16 at The Inn at St. John's in Plymouth. Registration opens in January.

Environmental Law Section

The Environmental Law Section is proud to introduce Amanda Urban as the new editor of the *Michigan Environmental Law Journal*. Many thanks to John Pirich for his *Lowery v Enbridge* Michigan Supreme Court case contribution and Margrethe Kearney's piece on the Public Utilities Regulatory Policy Act. The current edition is available at <http://connect.michbar.org/envlaw/reports/journal>. Amanda is looking for co-editors, so if you or someone you know may be interested, please contact her at ajurban@umich.edu.

Family Law Section

Limited Scope Representation—effective January 1, 2018. Please note Amendment of Rules 1.0, 1.2, 4.2, and 4.3 of the Michigan Rules of Professional Conduct and Rules 2.107, 2.117, and 6.001 of the Michigan Court Rules. Attorneys need to be mindful of their responsibility to the client, the court, and the other party.

Insurance and Indemnity Law Section

The section's chair, Larry Bennett, was awarded the Hal O. Carroll Leadership Award for outstanding leadership and significant contributions to the section.

Law Practice Management and Legal Administrators Section

The section will present "Law Practice Management: Marketing You & Your Law Firm in the 21st Century" on January 27, 9 a.m.–12 p.m., in Ann Arbor. Contact the SBM to register. On January 16, the section

is holding a "get to know you" at Meriwethers Restaurant in Southfield. Council members and their guests will be attending; all section members and anyone wanting to join the section are invited. Please RSVP to caf208@aol.com.

Marijuana Law Section

Save the date: the Marijuana Law Section will hold its fall conference October 25–27 at the Grand Traverse Resort in Traverse City. This great location offers plenty of activities for individuals and families, and it's a wonderful time to enjoy fall in northern Michigan. For more information or to suggest topics or speakers, contact Chairperson Mary Chartier at mary@cndefenders.com.

Master Lawyers Section

The section held a planning meeting on November 20. The meeting began with an overview of the mission and history of the section since its establishment in 2010. After reviewing the results of the initial planning group survey done in 2008 and current MLS demographics, the council asked the Bar to conduct a new survey to establish current priorities. Additionally, the council discussed proposed changes to MLS by-laws and opportunities to partner with other associations.

Negligence Law Section

The section had a productive year. In March, we held a Young/New Lawyers Reception at Punch Bowl in Detroit. We honored two Genesee County icons in Flint: SBM President Don Rockwell received the Outstanding Achievement Award and Hon. Joseph Farah received the Trial Judge of the Year Award. And to keep practitioners updated on key topics, an all-star panel educated lawyers about protecting their clients from liens. It was among the most successful educational programs in council history.

Paralegal/Legal Assistant Section

At a November 11 retreat (special thanks to the Razor Law Firm for use of its facilities), the Paralegal/Legal Assistant Section



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established its three-year strategic plan and solidified its committees. The section was pleased to participate in a December 11 holiday networking and trivia night to support Mandy's Place.

Prisons and Corrections Section

The section council met on December 2. Changes in the handling of legal mail to prisoners are at <http://www.michigan.gov/corrections>. See PD 05.03.118 (effective 11/1/17). The section submitted comments opposing proposed DHHS Policy 1635-PE Provider Enrollment Fitness Criteria, which would prohibit employing people with misdemeanors and felonies for 10 years from conviction. Council considered and took positions on HBs 5243, 5244, 5245, and 5246 and will develop a position paper on electronic monitoring. The next meeting is January 6.

Probate and Estate Planning Section

Discover the latest legislative initiatives developed by the Probate and Estate Planning Section by attending our monthly meetings or reviewing our agenda materials. Both can be found on our SBM web page at <http://www.connect.michbar.org/probate/home>. Tax reform summaries and suggested tax law changes to your clients' estate planning documents will soon be discussed and made available. Stay tuned!

Real Property Law Section

The 2018 Annual Winter Conference, "Building the Future: Real Estate Lessons from Past and Present," will be held March 1-3 at Encore at Wynn Las Vegas. David H. Martyn of Stewart Title Guaranty Company is program coordinator. Register online at <https://e.michbar.org/eCommerce/login/login.aspx> or mail the form at https://higherlogicdownload.s3.amazonaws.com/MICHBAR/44611bbd-6711-42cd-b769-2e5d4860ad2a/UploadedImages/pdf/winter_conference/WC18_Reg.pdf. Rooms must be booked by February 6; visit <https://aws.passkey.com/go/6OCN0318> or call (866) 770-7555 and ask for the SBM Real Property Law Section special rate. ■



Meeting Directory

Lawyers and Judges Alcoholics Anonymous and Narcotics Anonymous

The following list of meetings reflects the latest information about lawyers and judges AA and NA meetings. Those meetings marked with "*" are meetings that have been designated for lawyers, judges, and law students only. All other meetings are attended primarily by lawyers, judges, and law students, but also are attended by others seeking recovery. In addition, we have listed "Suggested Meetings," which others in recovery have recommended as being good meetings for those in the legal profession. For questions about any of the meetings listed, please contact the Lawyers and Judges Assistance Program at (800) 996-5522 or jclark@michbar.org.

Alcoholics Anonymous Meetings

***Monday 7:00 PM**
Lawyers and Judges AA Meeting
St. Paul of the Cross
23333 Schoolcraft Rd.
(I-96 south service drive, just east of Telegraph Rd.)
Detroit
(This is both an AA and NA meeting.)

***Tuesday 7:30 PM**
Lawyers and Judges AA Meeting
St. John's Episcopal Church
26998 Woodward Ave.
Royal Oak

***Wednesday 12:00 PM**
First Presbyterian Church
321 W. South St., 3rd Floor, Room 301
Kalamazoo

***Wednesday 6:00 PM**
Kirk in the Hills Presbyterian Church
1340 W. Long Lake Rd.
(1/2 mile west of Telegraph)
Bloomfield Hills

Wednesday 8:00 PM
Sense of Humor AA Meeting
Michigan State University Union
Lake Michigan Room
(S.E. corner of Abbot and Grand River Ave.)
East Lansing

***Thursday 4:00 PM**
Al-Anon of Berrien County
4162 Red Arrow Highway
Stevensville

***Thursday 7:00 PM**
Central Methodist Church
2nd Floor
(Corner of Capitol and Ottawa Streets)
Lansing

***Thursday 7:30 PM (Barefoot Meeting)**
Maple Grove
6773 W. Maple Rd.
Group Room 141
West Bloomfield Township

***Friday 12:00 PM**
Detroit Metropolitan Bar Association
645 Griswold
3550 Penobscot Bldg., 13th Floor
Smart Detroit Global Board Room 2
Detroit

Gamblers Anonymous Meetings

For a list of meetings, visit <http://www.gamblersanonymous.org/mtgdirMI.html>. Please note that these meetings are not specifically for lawyers and judges.

Suggested Meetings

Tuesday 7:00 AM
Antioch Lutheran Church
33360 W. 13 Mile
(Corner of 13 Mile and Farmington Rd., use back/north entrance, basement)
Farmington Hills

Tuesday 12:05 PM
Professionals in Recovery
Human Potential Center
22 W. 2nd St.
Monroe

(Closed meeting; restricted to professionals who are addicted to drugs and/or alcohol)

Tuesday 6:00 PM
St. Aloysius Church Office
1232 Washington Blvd.
Detroit

Thursday 5:30 PM
Professional Women's Group
Brighton Hospital
Room 35
12851 E. Grand River
Brighton

Thursday 8:00 PM (also Sunday 8:00 PM)
Manresa Stag
1390 Quarton Rd.
Bloomfield Hills

Friday 8:00 PM
Rochester Presbyterian Church
1385 S. Adams
(South of Avon Rd.)
Rochester
(Closed meeting; men's group)

For anyone interested in starting an LJAA meeting in northern Michigan, please contact LJAP.

For other AA or NA meetings, see listings in your local phone book or call:
Lawyers and Judges Assistance Program, (800) 996-5522