

STATE BAR OF MICHIGAN SECTION ANNUAL REPORT

Bar Year: May 31, 2007 to May 31, 2008

Section Name: Insurance and Indemnity Law Section

Mission Statement:

Issues arising out of insurance contracts and indemnity agreements affect a broad range of practice areas. In addition, insurance is a regulated industry, and state and federal regulations present specialized questions. The membership of the Insurance and Indemnity Law Section of the State Bar of Michigan consists of those who have expertise in this area of practice, as well as those whose expertise lies in other practice areas that are affected by insurance and indemnity issues. The mission of the Section is to provide a forum for an exchange of information, views and expertise from all perspectives on both insurance coverage issues and indemnity issues, and to provide information and assistance to other persons or organizations on matters relating to insurance and indemnity. Membership is open to all members of the State Bar of Michigan. Statements made on behalf of the Section do not necessarily reflect the views or positions of the State Bar of Michigan.

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Council Meeting Schedule:

Please attach any additional information needed regarding Council meetings as an addendum.

Meeting Type	Date	Location
First Council Meeting	December 4, 2007	Southfield
Regular Council Meeting	January 22, 2008	Southfield
Regular Council Meeting	March 4, 2008	Grand Rapids
Regular Council Meeting	May 6, 2008	Lansing

General Budget Information:

Our first year of operation is a partial year, because the Section commenced operations in December 2007.

The principal expense as of this report has been the production and distribution of the quarterly publication, the *Journal of Insurance and Indemnity Law*.

The sole source of revenue at this time is membership dues. We anticipate future revenue from advertisements in the *Journal*.

Events and/or Seminars:

Because our first year of operation began in November 2007, we have not yet presented any seminars. A program for the September annual meeting is in the process of being planned, and we anticipate two presentations, one on insurance issues and one on indemnity issues.

Event or Seminar Title	Date	Location

Legislative issues: None identified.

Recommendations for next Council:

Work on expanding membership through networking with other sections and groups, and explore associate membership categories for persons who are not members of the State Bar of Michigan

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Other Information:

We have published two issues (January and April) of our quarterly publication, the *Journal of Insurance and Indemnity Law*, and in addition to mailing copies to all members, we have also mailed copies to state circuit court and appellate judges, federal trial court judges, the chairperson of every other State Bar section, and some non-lawyer groups.

We are working toward establishing cooperative efforts with other sections, and have also made preliminary contact with other groups whose members might be interested in joining the Section.

In the first six months of operation, our membership has reached 247, and we are actively pursuing means to make ourselves known to as many potential members as possible so as to increase our membership further.

Reports must be submitted before May 31 of each year, to:

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