

2019-2020 REAL PROPERTY LAW SECTION
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2019-2020 Section Annual Reports

Section Annual Reports must be submitted by July 10, 2020.

Completing and submitting the survey will automatically send your complete annual report to:

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Real Property Law Section

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1. Section, Council, and Committee Meetings:

Please list the dates and meeting types (full section meeting, council meeting, committee meetings by committee name) held or scheduled to be held between October 1, 2019 and September 30, 2020. Please do not list events or seminars in this response; meetings only.

Council Meeting 9/11/2019
Council Meeting 10/16/2019
Council Meeting 11/20/2019
Council Meeting 12/18/2019
Council Meeting 1/15/2020
Council Meeting 2/11/2020
Council Meeting 4/15/2020
Council Meeting 5/13/2020
Council Meeting 6/17/2020
Annual Section & Council Meeting 7/17/2020
Council Meeting 7/22/2020
Council Meeting 9/16/2020

2. Seminars and other Section Events:

Please list the dates and titles of all seminars and other section events held or scheduled to be held between October 1, 2019 and September 30, 2020. Please do not list section, council, or committee meetings in this response; seminars and events only.

Outlook 2020 10/17/2019
Homeward Bound 1/16/2020
Winter Conference 3/17/2020

3. Public Policy Activities:

Please describe any current public policy activities, any activities completed since September 30, 2019, and any activities planned between now and September 30, 2020.

In addition to monitoring new legislation and responding to requests from the Michigan Supreme Court and others to file amicus curie briefs on real estate issues of importance, the Section has initiated a series of meeting with legislators, particularly committee chairs, to inform them of the Section's mission and expertise so that the Section can get involved with legislative real estate initiatives before new legislation is introduced. In all cases, the Section tries to limit its comments and recommendations without bias toward any particular

4. Other Section Activities and Accomplishments:

Please list any other noteworthy section activities or accomplishments during the 2019-2020 bar year (Oct.-Sept.). Please include achievements, collaborations, awards and other recognition, scholarships, publications, publicity, etc. and any new initiatives your section is planning for the 2020-2021 bar year.

While we continue to be guided by the Section's 2017 Strategic Plan, the shutdowns due to the Covid-19 pandemic have substantially altered the reality of Section Members. The Section is well-positioned to leverage technology to provide educational, legislative, and pro bono service opportunities to its members. Attempts to "right-size" the Section's budget and deliverables have been enhanced by the pandemic realities and this can continue with vigilant attention to efficiency and superior educational opportunities. Membership brings increasing value to real property law practice as practitioners find themselves increasingly reliant on internet delivery of educational, organizational and publishing materials.]

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