

Real Property Law Section  
State Bar of Michigan

**GRAND PERSPECTIVES: TITLE, TRANSACTIONS & TRANSFORMATION IN  
MICHIGAN REAL ESTATE LAW**

Grand Hotel  
Mackinac Island, Michigan  
July 15-18, 2026

Program Co-Chairs: Kelly A. Myers, Myers & Myers, PLLC and Clarence Stone,  
Michigan State Housing Development Authority (MSHDA)

**Wednesday, July 15, 2026**

**6:30 – 8:00 p.m.**

**Welcoming Reception**

**Thursday, July 16, 2026**

**8:30 – 9 a.m.**

**Lobbyist Update:** Tabitha J. Zimny, Karoub Associates

**9:15 – 10:45 a.m.**

**Feature Presentation:** “Historic Preservation Meets Modern Necessity: Land Use,  
Development, and Housing on Mackinac Island and Beyond”

**Moderator:** Kevin Hirzel, Hirzel Law Firm

**Speakers:** James J. Murray, Plunkett Cooney, Brad Conkey, Integra Realty  
Resources, and David Jurcak, Grand Hotel, President of Operations

**11 a.m. – Noon**

**Workshops (Choose One)**

**Insurance Standards for Real Property**

Brandon Chidester and Kaleigh McCarron, Gallagher

**State of the Market: Commercial Real Estate Updates and Trends**

Charles Carr and Michael Clifford, Stout

**Best Practices in Real Estate Litigation: Bench and Bar Perspectives**

Hon. Kurt Wilder (Ret.), Butzel, and Ronald Reynolds, Hilger Hammond

**Friday, July 17, 2026**

**8:15 – 8:45 a.m.**

Roundtable Discussions: Selected members of the Section will chair discussions.  
(Choose one - see attached list)

**9:00 – 9:45 a.m.**

**State of the Law:**

Amy M. Smith, Makower Abbate Guerra Wegner Vollmer and  
Zachary E. Stewart, Alward Fisher Rice Rowe & Graf

**9:45 – 9:55 a.m.**

**Annual Meeting:** Jason Long, Chairperson

**Land Title Standards Meeting:** Nicholas Scavone, Jr., Chairperson

**10:05 – 11:00 a.m.**

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**Saturday, July 18, 2026**

**8:30 – 9:30 a.m.**

**Keynote Presentation:** To Be Announced

**9:30 -10 a.m. and 10 -10:30 a.m.**

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