

**STATE BAR OF MICHIGAN
SECTION ANNUAL REPORT**

Bar Year: 2014-2015

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.

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Jim Thome	2013-2015	Jason Liss	2014-2016

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Legislative issues: none

Recommendations for next Council:

Continue to follow and implement the 5 year strategic plan; continue to expand membership; sponsor and educational and networking event; and continue to foster committee activism.

Other Information:

We continue to publish our quarterly *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 in our eighth year as a Section. Our membership has continued to grow steadily, and is approximately 865 members.

Reports must be submitted before May 31, 2015 to:

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