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Computer Law Section Members:

The Computer Law Section Council has considered a section name change for several years. Many members of the Council have expressed their opinion that an alternative section name would better reflect the scope of the section and would perhaps help attract more section members. Last year, a survey was conducted soliciting the opinions of the general membership regarding several issues of the section, including changing the name of the section. The majority of the section responding to the survey chose “Information Technology Law Section” as a preferred section name. The section leadership responded to the survey results with a petition for changing the section name as required by the section bylaws. The petition was presented at the March 15, 2006 Council meeting. The meeting minutes from the March 15, 2006 meeting of the Computer Law Section Council are available via the section website.

The relevant portion of the meeting minutes regarding the section name change is as follows:

5. Section Name Change

(a) Mr. Raine presented to the council a petition to change the name of the section to the Information Technology Law Section, on which he had collected 12 signatures. He explained that if approved by the council, the name change would be put to a vote at the annual meeting and then if approved by 2/3 of the general membership present it will be submitted to the Board of Commissioners for approval. After an inquiry about other options, Mr. Raine explained that in order to bring any other pos-

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sible section name to a vote, a separate petition would have to be circulated and presented at a council meeting.

Motion: to approve submitting to the general membership a proposal to change the section name to the Information Technology Law Section Mr. Tupper moved. Mr. Bisdorf seconded. Ms. Manildi called.

MOTION CARRIED

No alternative names have been submitted to the Council for consideration via the petition process as outlined in the section bylaws. Accordingly, a vote on the change of section name from “Computer Law Section” to “Information Technology Law Section” will take place at the section’s annual meeting on September 22, 2006. If approved by a 2/3 vote of the general membership present at the annual meeting, the newly elected 2006-2007 Council will then present the proposed section name change to the Michigan State Bar Board of Commissioners for their approval.

Please plan to attend the section’s annual meeting on Friday, September 22 to vote on this important issue. Please visit the section website for annual meeting registration details.

Paul Raine
Chair, Computer Law Section

Computer Law Section
Annual Meeting and Golf Outing

Friday, September 22, 2006
The Links at Pinewood
8600 PGA Drive, Walled Lake, MI

Noon Tee Off 5:30 p.m. Cocktails 6 p.m. Dinner
7 p.m. Presentation - Inappropriate E-Mail (*Husen v Dow*)
Background on the process, the practice and the case.
Presentation by the Director of the Dow Ethics and
Compliance Division.

7:30 p.m. Annual Meeting

Costs: Section Members: Golf & Dinner = \$75, Dinner only = \$30
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