

Bar Year: 2012-2013

Section Name: Worker's Compensation Law Section of the State Bar of Michigan

Mission Statement: The Worker's Compensation Law Section of the State Bar of Michigan provides education, information and analysis about issues of concern through meetings, seminars, a web site, public service programs and publication of a newsletter. Membership in the Section is open to all members of the State Bar of Michigan. Statements made on behalf of the Section do not necessarily reflect the views of the State Bar of Michigan.

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Council Meeting Schedule:

Meeting Type:

Annual Meeting	June, 2012	Mission Pointe, Mackinaw Island, MI
Section Council Meeting	September 7, 2012	Detroit/Lansing Offices of Workers' Compensation Agency teleconference
Section Council Meeting	October 5, 2012	Detroit/Lansing Offices of Workers' Compensation Agency teleconference
Section Council Meeting	November 2, 2012	Detroit/Lansing Offices of Workers' Compensation Agency teleconference
Section Council Meeting	December 7, 2012	Inn at St. John's, Plymouth, MI
Section Council Meeting	February 1, 2013	Detroit/Lansing Offices of Workers' Compensation Agency teleconference
Section Council Meeting	March 1, 2013	Detroit/Lansing Offices of Workers' Compensation Agency teleconference
Section Council Meeting	May 10, 2013	The Majestic, Hartland, MI
Section Council Meeting	June 20-21, 2013	Boyne Highlands

Events and/or Seminars:

100 th Commemoration of the Workers Comp Act	October 2012	Wayne State University, Detroit, MI
Winter Seminar	December 7, 2012	Inn at St. John's, Plymouth, MI
Seminar	February, 2013	Dominican Republic
Past Chairpersons' Golf Outing	May 10, 2013	The Majestic, Hartland, MI
Annual Meeting/Election of Officers	June 20-21, 2013	Boyne Highlands

Other Information:

In the course of this year, the Worker's Compensation Law Section Council has maintained various section committees dealing with events and activities sponsored by, or proposed by the Section. These committees include the Past Chairpersons' Golf Outing Committee, the Hall of Fame Criteria Committee, the Hall of Fame Nomination Committee, and the 100th Comemorization of the Act. Each of these Committees were assigned a particular task over the course of the year to improve the efficiency of activities of the Worker's Compensation Law Section and its council. These Committees exist in addition to the Committees that generally handle the yearly seminar, to-wit: the Winter Seminar, which provides an annual update with regard to Michigan Workers' Compensation Law and Practice, and the Spring Seminar, which is the annual meeting held in June with regard to the Section, dealing with the election of officers and members of the Section Council.

The Section has contributed to Kids Chance of Michigan, a non-profit organization which provides scholarships to the children of workers who have sustained life-ending injuries.

Membership:

The Michigan Worker's Compensation Law Section has one of the largest memberships of any Section in the State Bar of Michigan.

By-Laws:

The By-Laws of the Section were amended in the past year to allow for electronic voting. A Section By-Law Amendment was proposed and will be voted on at the annual meeting.

Publications:

The Michigan Workers' Compensation Law Section has maintained a Newsletter published on a regular basis during the course of the year. Special mention must be made of Member Ella Parker who has worked diligently to maintain this particular Newsletter and to see to its production.

The Awards:

The Workers' Compensation Law Section has maintained a Hall of Fame over many years. Most recently, we have reinitiated the practice of nominations and appointment to the Hall of Fame. A Hall of Fame Committee and Criteria Committee were created over the last year and we have again nominated and appointed to the Hall of Fame members who show distinction in the practice and/or administration of the Workers' Compensation Law in the State of Michigan. Michael Flynn will be inducted into the Hall of Fame at the Annual Meeting held at Boyne Highlands, June 20-21, 2013.

Teresa Martin, Chair
Worker's Disability Compensation Section
May 31, 2013