Chair’s Letter from Diane L. Akers

Have the economy and its impact on your practice affected how you use the services the Section provides? For example, if you decide to attend a two-day program like our annual Business Law Institute, are you more or less likely to bring your family and turn it into a combined business/family event? Have you cut back on the Section or other educational programs you attend? Even if you have cut back generally, are there substantive areas you believe present opportunities to grow your practice that aren’t being adequately addressed that you’d like to learn more about? And what role do you think the Section should play in providing social or networking events for members, especially during tough economic times?

The Section reviews these and similar questions regularly, and answers of course vary for different Section members at different times. Our goal is always to provide the programs and services of most benefit to our members. Especially in these times when people are being more selective about how to spend limited resources, you can help us make sure Section offerings meet your current needs. Contact any Section officer, council member, committee chair or director with your comments on your practice and what we can do to be of better service to you and all of our members. Better yet, get involved yourself, to whatever extent your situation permits. Visit our website to see how.

Ad Hoc Committee on Legal Opinion Garners National Interest

This Ad Hoc Committee has been revived to respond to continuing developments to improve legal opinion practice. Under the leadership of Justin Klimko, the committee has developed a Background Statement for the committee and has contributed to the national dialogue on this topic through the Working Group on Legal Opinions. Committee information is available at Ad Hoc Committees page. The committee welcomes additional participation.