

LAW SCHOOLS COMMITTEE
REPORT PREPARED FOR THE DECEMBER 6, 2008 COUNCIL MEETING

1. NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE.

The Committee typically meets quarterly. The next meeting of the Committee is scheduled for Thursday, March 12, 2009 at 5:00 p.m. at Dickinson Wright PLLC, 500 Woodward Avenue, Suite 4000, Detroit, Michigan 48226.

2. COUNCIL APPROVAL.

There are no items requiring Council approval at this time.

3. MEMBERSHIP.

The Committee is comprised of student representatives from the business law societies within each of the six law schools located in the State of Michigan, their faculty advisers and members of the Business Law Section, including the Chair and attorney-liaisons who have been appointed to each of the six law schools.

4. ACCOMPLISHMENTS TOWARD COMMITTEE OBJECTIVES.

The Committee is achieving its goals. We are increasing awareness of the Section among law students and promoting to them the benefits associated with Section membership, both now and following graduation.

One of the Committee's objectives is to maintain contact with law students as they graduate and become professional members of the State Bar. The Committee recently established a webpage on Facebook.com, one of the social network websites that are increasingly being utilized for business purposes. The Committee has solicited student leaders for the e-mail addresses of students who should receive invitations to join the group. Students have been asked to provide e-mail addresses that they intend to maintain following graduation and to update their Facebook.com contact information as their e-mail addresses change. The Committee will then cause invitations to join the group to be sent to law students and Section members who have expressed interest in participating in Committee activities. The Facebook webpage will be linked to the Committee's webpage on the State Bar website (and vice versa).

5. MEETINGS AND PROGRAMS.

The Committee has met on two occasions since the date of the last Council meeting. Minutes of the Meetings of the Committee that were held on November 1, 2009 and November 22, 2009 are attached to this Report as Exhibit A and Exhibit B, respectively.

The Committee will offer two panel discussions, each of which will be open to all members of the Business Law Societies at the six law schools located in Michigan. The

first such panel discussion, which will explore the practical aspects of a career in business law, is scheduled for Thursday, February 5, 2009 at 5:00 p.m. The tentative location is the Thomas M. Cooley Law School in Lansing. The second panel discussion is tentatively scheduled for Thursday, April 2, 2009 at 5:00 p.m. This event will likely be held in conjunction with the Committee's Second Annual Spring Fling Social Event in the metropolitan Detroit area.

6. PUBLICATIONS.

N/A

7. LEGISLATIVE/JUDICIAL/ADMINISTRATIVE DEVELOPMENTS.

N/A

8. MISCELLANEOUS.

N/A

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Exhibit A

STATE BAR OF MICHIGAN BUSINESS LAW SECTION LAW SCHOOLS COMMITTEE

Minutes of Committee Meeting Held on November 1, 2008

A meeting of the Law Schools Committee of the Business Law Section of the State Bar of Michigan was held on Saturday, November 1, 2008 in the Barris Lounge at Wayne State University School of Law in Detroit, Michigan pursuant to notice duly given. Present at the meeting were Edwin J. Lukas, Mark H. High, Doug Toering, Paul Rentenbach, James Carey, Corey Arendt, Christian Murad (Wayne State University), Erin Keeler (Cooley Law School) and Leah Sloniker (Cooley Law School).

1. Call to Order. Committee Chairperson, Edwin J. Lukas, called the meeting to order at approximately 10:30 a.m. Mr. Lukas agreed to act as secretary and maintain the minutes of the meeting.

2. Reports from Law Schools. Ms. Keeler and Ms. Sloniker updated the Committee with information regarding the membership in and activities of the Business Law Society at Cooley Law School. Mr. Murad provided the same with respect to Wayne State School of Law. The Committee then discussed a number of different ways in which the Section could support the efforts of their respective Business Law Societies through events and panel discussions during the 2008-09 academic year.

3. Communication with Students and Section Members. Mr. Lukas suggested that the Committee examine the manner in which the Committee communicates with law students and Section members generally. He noted that one of the Committee's objectives is to maintain contact with law students as they graduate and become professional members of the State Bar. Mr. High suggested that the Committee consider establishing a webpage on one of the social network websites that are increasingly being utilized for business purposes. After a discussion among the Committee members, the Committee appointed Mr. Murad and Mr. Lukas to develop a committee webpage on facebook.com. Following its completion, Mr. Murad and Mr. Lukas will solicit the student leaders on the Committee for the e-mail addresses of students who should receive invitations to join the group. Student leaders will be asked to provide e-mail addresses that their members intend to maintain following graduation and to advise their members to update their Facebook contact information as their e-mail addresses change. Once the information is provided, Mr. Murad and Mr. Lukas will cause the invitations to be sent to law students and Section members who have expressed interest in participating in Committee activities. The Facebook webpage will be linked to the Committee's webpage on the State Bar website (and vice versa).

4. Programs for 2008-09 Academic Year. The Committee explored further the specific programs that it intends to offer during the 2008-09 academic year. Following considerable discussion, the Committee determined that it will offer two panel discussions, each of which will be open to all members of the Business Law Societies at the six law schools

located in Michigan. The first such panel discussion was tentatively scheduled for late-January or early-February, and the second was tentatively scheduled for late-March or early-April. The respective locations of the panel discussions would likely be one of the law schools located in each of Detroit and Lansing, and the Committee determined that the second panel discussion would likely be held in conjunction with the Committee's Second Annual Spring Fling Social Event. The topics, speakers, dates and locations will be determined at the next meeting of the Committee.

5. Announcement of Next Committee Meeting. The meeting participants concurred that the next meeting of the Committee will be held on Saturday, November 22, 2008 at 9:00 a.m. at the offices of Bodman, LLP, 6th Floor at Ford Field, 1901 St. Antoine Street, Detroit, Michigan. Committee members unable to participate in person are encouraged to join the meeting by way of telephone conference, the details of which will be circulated prior to the meeting.

6. Meeting Adjournment. There being no further business of the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

By: /s/ Edwin J. Lukas

Edwin J. Lukas

Secretary of the Meeting

Exhibit B
STATE BAR OF MICHIGAN
BUSINESS LAW SECTION
LAW SCHOOLS COMMITTEE

Minutes of Committee Meeting Held on November 22, 2008

A meeting of the Law Schools Committee of the Business Law Section of the State Bar of Michigan was held on Saturday, November 22, 2008 at Bodman, LLP, Sixth Floor at Ford Field, 1901 St. Antoine Street, Detroit, Michigan pursuant to notice duly given. Present at the meeting were Edwin J. Lukas, Mark H. High, Doug Toering, Paul Rentenbach, James Carey, Christian Murad (Wayne State University) and Moises DeJesus (University of Detroit Mercy).

1. Call to Order. Committee Chairperson, Edwin J. Lukas, called the meeting to order at approximately 9:00 a.m. Mr. Lukas agreed to act as secretary and maintain the minutes of the meeting.

2. Report from Law Schools. Mr. Murad reported that the Committee supported a panel discussion at Wayne State University on Nov. 20, 2009. Approximately 30 students attended the event. The Committee thanked Mr. Toering and Mr. Roger Mail for their time and efforts.

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4. Communication with Students and Section Members. Mr. Lukas reported that the Committee established a webpage on facebook.com. Mr. Murad and Mr. DeJesus agreed to administer the website under Mr. Lukas's supervision. Student leaders will be asked to provide e-mail addresses that their members intend to maintain following graduation and to advise their members to update their Facebook contact information as their e-mail addresses change. Once the information is provided, Mr. Murad and Mr. DeJesus will cause the invitations to be sent to law students and Section members who have expressed interest in participating in Committee activities. The Facebook webpage will be linked to the Committee's webpage on the State Bar website (and vice versa).

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