NONPROFIT COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT PREPARED FOR THE DECEMBER 4, 2010 ANNUAL MEETING

Please describe your committee's activities during the 2009-2010 year toward achievement of the goals outlined in the Section's Strategic Plan. Each question below corresponds to a specific Section of the Plan, a copy of which is attached and to which reference may be made for further guidance in providing responses. If the question is not applicable to your particular committee or directorship, please note as such.

1. Sponsorship of programs for Continuing Legal Education via a means accessible to Section Members, including holding at least one program yearly (Article I, 3).

Although the committee's focus over the past few years has been revisions to the Michigan Nonprofit Corporations Act, at its most recent meeting on November 17, 2010, a program subcommittee was formed for the purpose of planning at least one educational activity in the coming year. Several suggestions were made and discussed, including the possibility of an educational program with another section.

2. Addressing substantive legal issues for committee members, including holding regular committee meetings (at least once a year) and reporting on the meetings to the Council (Article I, 4).

The committee has traditionally held at least one meeting a year. At its most recent meeting, two subcommittees were formed. The program subcommittee is discussed above. The legislative subcommittee will continue the work of the Committee and work group over the past few years which has worked on revisions to the Michigan Nonprofit Corporations Act and other statutes affecting nonprofit entities. Jane Forbes will lead the legislative work and Agnes Hagerty will lead the program activities.

3. Promoting involvement in the committee and making the committee more responsive to members including the designation of a contact person (Article I, 5).

Since the Committee already has two co-chairs, an additional contact person did not seem necessary.

4. (A) monitoring and raising awareness of laws or developments in laws that affect Michigan businesses and, when appropriate, making recommendations for updates and improvements;

See discussion of the legislative subcommittee in #2 above.

(B) providing assistance to appropriate state government personnel with respect to business-related legislation and rule making;

The Michigan Attorney Generals Office seeks input from members of the committee periodically. Committee co-chairs regularly discuss matters with DLEG personnel. Co-chair Agnes Hagerty serves on the Joint AG/Michigan Nonprofit Association Committee.

(C) as appropriate, providing amicus curiae briefs related to business-related issues being addressed by the courts, and

No relevant cases pending.

(D) educating Michigan businesses, their owners and employees about changes to Michigan's laws in order to maintain Michigan's ability to attract and retain new business enterprises and enable existing businesses to remain competitive. (Article II, 1).

This was discussed as a possible program for further exploration by the program subcommittee.

- 5. Please comment on your plan regarding succession (Article III, 5).
- 6. Please list your Committee's goals and objectives for the next 12 to 24 months and whether you will require additional support from the Section to achieve these goals (Article III, 5).