

**SECTION DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR
REPORT PREPARED FOR JUNE 1, 2007 COUNCIL MEETING**

1. Next Scheduled Meeting of the Committee

N/A

2. Council Approval

N/A

3. Membership

N/A

4. Accomplishments Toward Committee Objectives

Member Database. The member database continues to be updated annually. The database includes information regarding all members, such as name, contact information, type of practice (from surveys sent to the Section), and certain administrative data. The database provides a wealth of information regarding the Section's members and all Committees and Directors are encouraged to make full use of it in connection with future projects.

5. Meetings and Programs

Business Boot Camp II. The 9-session Business Boot Camp II program concluded in May. The program ran from September 2006 to May 2007 in both Grand Rapids and Plymouth.

Scholarship Award. Cristina Walters is the winner of the Section's Fourth Annual Scholarship Award program. Cristina attended Wayne State University Law School and won with an entry entitled *Cross-Cultural Negotiations: A Role Evaluation of Four Cultural Dimensions and Two Cultural Components*. Cristina will be presented with the Award's \$2,500 prize at the Section dinner at Boyne Mountain Resort on June 1.

Upcoming Programs. As part of BLS' outreach efforts, Roger Mali has contacted Barbara LaSusa, President of the Grand Traverse/Leelanau/Antrim Bar Association and discussed conducting a joint program in the Traverse City region. Ms. LaSusa is very interested in the BLS' small business programs because of the nature of the business climate in northern Michigan.

Ed Lukas and Justin Peruski are working to coordinate a program to be held in Western Michigan. Potential locations are Holland, Kalamazoo and Grand Rapids.

Roger Mali, Justin Peruski, Ed Lukas and Michael Kennedy are working on planning an event in Detroit which would be held in the Fall of 2007.

6. Publications

N/A

7. Legislative/Judicial/Administrative Developments

N/A

8. Miscellaneous

N/A

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