

SECTION DEVELOPMENT DIRECTORSHIP REPORT
PREPARED FOR THE SEPTEMBER 13, 2011 COUNCIL MEETING

1. Next Scheduled Meeting of the Committee.

No further meetings are scheduled at this time.

2. Council Approval.

N/A.

3. Membership.

Tim Damschroder (Bodman), Mark High (Dickinson), Ed Lukas (Bodman), Roger Mali (Honigman), Justin Peruski (Honigman), and Kevin Block (Kerr Russell).

4. Accomplishments Toward Committee Objectives.

The Section has hired Mike Scott to work on PR initiatives for the Section. Mike has developed a Section Facebook page and LinkedIn site which he regularly updates, and has worked on promotion for Small Business Forum events, the Business Law Institute, and the Schulman Award.

5 Meetings and Programs.

A. Justin Peruski worked with the Young Lawyers Section with respect to their Annual Summit on May 21 at the Amway Grand in Grand Rapids organizing a session on the Business of Being a Business Lawyer (similar to the panel discussion earlier this year at the Skyline Club). The BLS speakers included Dee Dee Fuller, Cathy Mish and Jeff Ammon who each provided a unique perspective for the young lawyers. We understand that the program was well received.

B. Mark High planned and coordinated the BLS to Go Reception and educational event which was held on June 28 at Bell's Brewery Eccentric Café in Kalamazoo. Jeff VanWinkle and Mark High spoke on Indemnification Provisions in M&A Transactions and Lindsay Davenport spoke on Michigan Business Tax Legislation and the Implications for Michigan C-Corporations. Ed Lukas gave an update on Section activities. Approximately 20 people attended.

C. Roger Mali worked with the GTLA to plan and coordinate *Acquiring Distressed Assets* at the Hagerty Center in Traverse City on June 3. Panel members were Roger Mali, Scott Wolfson, and Pat O'Keefe. Approximately 18 people attended.

D. Mark High will plan and coordinate an event in the Grand Rapids area in 2011. Locations being considered are Belmar and Grand Haven.

E. Business Boot Camp II will be held on November 7-8, 2011 at the Amway Grand Plaza Hotel in Grand Rapids and on January 27-28, 2012 at the Inn at St. John's in Plymouth. Speakers and topics have been chosen and advertising for the event is underway. Both events will include an hour long social event after the first day of the seminar.

6. Publications.

N/A.

7 Methods of Monitoring Legislative/Judicial/Administrative Developments and Recommended Action

N/A.

8. Miscellaneous.

N/A.

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