

**STATE BAR OF MICHIGAN
SECTION ANNUAL REPORT**

**2009- 2010 STATE BAR OF MICHIGAN
TAXATION SECTION - ANNUAL REPORT**

Section Name: Taxation

Mission Statement:

The Section, as a representative of the legal profession, shall serve its members and the public through education and leadership in efforts to achieve an equitable, efficient, and workable tax system. The purpose of this Section is to improve public understanding of, confidence in, and respect for the federal, state and local tax systems; to provide leadership in simplifying and improving the federal, state and local tax systems; to provide unbiased, thoughtful and timely input into the legislative and administrative process at the national, state and local levels; To promote and maintain an active, vigorous, growing and interested Section membership; To provide programs and services of unique quality which promote professionalism, competence and ethical conduct; to provide a forum for communication among Section members and interchange between the public and private sectors

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| Member | Term | Member | Term |
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| Gary R. Glenn - P31897 | 2012 | | |
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| Christopher Ballard – P47015 | 2010 | | |
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| Jess A. Bahs – P46905 | 2010 | | |

Council Meeting Schedule:

Please attach any additional information needed regarding Council meetings as an addendum.

| Meeting Type | Date | Location |
|-------------------------|--------------------|--|
| Council Meeting | October 22, 2009 | Varnum Law firm, Novi, MI |
| Officer Meeting | November 12, 2009 | (via telephone conference) |
| Officer Meeting | December 15, 2009 | (via telephone conference) |
| Council Meeting | January 7, 2010 | Howard & Howard, Royal Oak |
| Officer Meeting | February 11, 2010 | (via telephone conference) |
| Council Meeting | March 4, 2010 | Maddin Hauser, Southfield |
| Officer Meeting | April 1, 2010 | (via telephone conference) |
| Council Meeting | April 29, 2010 | Butzel Long, Blmd Hills |
| Council Meeting | June 17, 2010 | Cooley Law School, Auburn Hills Campus |
| Officer Meeting | July 22, 2010 | (via telephone conference) |
| Council Meeting | September 16, 2010 | Inn at St John's Plymouth, MI |
| Annual Meeting & Dinner | September 16, 2010 | Inn at St John's Plymouth, MI |

Events and/or Seminars:

Please attach any additional information needed regarding events and/or seminars as an addendum.

| Event or Seminar Title | Date | Location |
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| After Hours Tax Series | October 6, 2009 | Inn at St John's Plymouth, MI |
| Tax Court Luncheon | October 20, 2009 | Westin Book Cadillac, Detroit |
| Michigan Business Tax Conf. | November 3 rd and 4 th 3009 | Rock Financial, Novi |
| After Hours Tax Series | November 17, 2009 | Inn at St John's Plymouth, MI |
| After Hours Tax Series | January 26, 2010 | Inn at St John's Plymouth, MI |
| After Hours Tax Series | February 23, 2010 | Inn at St John's Plymouth, MI |
| Tax Court Luncheon | March 23, 2010 | Westin Book Cadillac, Detroit |
| Annual Tax Conference | May 20, 2010 | Rock Financial, Novi |

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Other activities: Michigan Tax Lawyer published 3 time a year; Committee meetings and other educational programs for Section members; Grants made to organizations assisting low-income taxpayers; awards given to law students;

Legislative issues: Discussions regarding possible tax on legal services discussions; work on reform measures regarding the Michigan Tax Tribunal; and comments regarding temporary repeal of the federal estate tax in 2010

Recommendations for next Council: Membership growth/retention with emphasis on outreach efforts; more involvement with legislative matters.