DINNER IN THE VINEYARD
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SEPTEMBER 14, 2019

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LEADERSHIP RETREAT AGENDA

Day 1

Friday, September 13, 2019

6:45 p.m. For Those at the San Francisco Forum, Bus Leaves the Nasdaq Entrepreneurial Center for the Leadership Retreat

8:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. Dinner On Your Own in Sonoma County

Day 2

Saturday, September 14, 2019

8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Leadership Retreat Registration

8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. Continental Breakfast

9:00 a.m. – 9:15 a.m. Welcome to the Leadership Retreat and Wine Country: Building a Stronger Team, a More Powerful Section, and Orienting New Leaders

9:15 a.m. – 9:45 a.m. The Section’s Strategic Vision for the New Bar Year

During this session, we will share insights into the Section’s strategic vision for the new year, what we need to accomplish, and what it will take to get there. A critical element of our ability to achieve our goals are our leaders. This session will also provide insights into how each Officer, Division Chair, and Committee leader fits into that vision, and what the roles and responsibilities of each are in leading the Section forward.

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My Roadmap – How Do I Advance in Section Leadership?

You already have begun the path to leadership. All of your engagement with the Section thus far has been part of your Section Roadmap. Now it is up to you to keep on course with engaging leadership, vision, and mentorship of others in your Committee pipeline, as well as a commitment to excellence in all Section functions.

This session will provide you with the tools needed to be a successful leader in the Section, and to ensure the success of our Committees in the coming year and beyond. It will cover the roles and responsibilities of those in Committee leadership, and what is needed of every Section leader to ensure the health and success of the Section.

During this session, we will also provide insight into the Nomination processes: what they are, how they are managed, factors for consideration in advancing in the Section, and what you can do to put yourself on your chosen leadership path.

Networking Break

How Can the Section and Our Committees Maximize the ABA’s New Technology and Social Media Policy?

The ABA has recently rolled out new branding and made significant changes to the way in which we will communicate throughout the Section and the broader ABA. This session will provide you with important updates on the ABA’s new technology and social media policy, and how to maximize its usage to the benefit of your Committee, Division, or Office.
11:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.  
**What is Involved in Putting Together Our Conferences? How Do We Ensure Their Success? How Can I Get Involved?**

The Section’s in-person meetings are critical opportunities to provide value to our members and invaluable opportunities for our members to network and increase their knowledge of critical matters in international law and practice and to gain CLE credit while doing so. They are also necessary to bring in critical revenue to the Section so we can carry out our important work throughout the course of the year, and tee us up for a long, successful future. The planning of these in-person meetings is also extremely involved to ensure we are producing world-class events that are substantively cutting-edge, financially successful, and fun and rewarding for attendees.

This session will discuss the many components of our in-person meetings to provide Section leaders with a better understanding of what it takes to put on a successful meeting, how Section leaders and committees members can have the most meaningful involvement. We will also describe in detail, what it means to be a Meeting Co-Chair or on the Planning Committee of our meetings.

12:00 p.m. - 12:05 p.m.  
**Wrap Up**

12:05 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.  
**Committee Awards Luncheon**

Each year, the Section awards our Committees and volunteer members who do outstanding work to further the goals of the Section. Join us for this awards luncheon to recognize our fellow members and Committees for their outstanding work, programming, and leadership they undertook during the 2018-2019 bar year.
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### Excursions Around Sonoma (Separate Ticket)

- Kayaking Down the Russian River
- Santa Rosa Wine Trail Cycle
- Horseback Riding in the Vineyard
- Cheesemaking Class

What memories will you create in beautiful California Wine Country? Continue networking and making new friends in one of these exciting events.

Please see the excursion descriptions on the Section’s Retreat web page for details and registration instructions.

### Wine Tasting & Dinner on the Vineyard at Sunset (Separate Ticket)

Thomas George Estates  
Healdsburg, California

Watch the sun set over the beautiful Sonoma County hills while enjoying a quintessential Wine Country dinner, with great wines, great food, and great company, on top of the stunning Baker Ridge Vineyard.

### Day 3  
**Sunday, September 15, 2019**

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9:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.  What is the Section’s Voice?

The driving force behind the Section is our pursuit and preservation of the Rule of Law. To ensure our continued prominence in the international legal community, and credibility around the world, we need to continue to be strategic about what we are trying to achieve. That requires consideration of: What voice does the Section have in Rule of Law and Policy issues? What issues should we be getting involved with? How do we decide? How does it work? When and how to we engage with other Bar Associations around the world? This session will cover those issues and help Section leaders understand how they are expected to participate and our Members can get involved.

9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.  Our Value Proposition

In this interactive discussion, participants will discuss our value proposition for current and prospective members, explore key elements of the Section’s mission, and how we strengthen our brand in the worldwide legal community. Topics will include:

- What value do we bring to our members? What value should we be bringing that we’re not currently?
- What do our members/prospective members want that we’re not offering?
- What do we offer that we’re not delivering? What do we need to do to deliver?
- What is our “Elevator Pitch”?
- What programs do our members want?
- What publications do our members want? How can we attract the authors of those publications?
- How can we maximize the value of our Liaison relationships?
- How do we continue to promote diversity within the Section and attract diversity in our membership?

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11:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.  Networking Break

11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.  The Year Ahead (For 2019-2020 Officers and Division Chairs)

This session will be an opportunity for all Section Officers and Division Chairs to ensure we are aligned on our mission and strategic goals for the 2019-2020 year, and that all are provided with a good understanding of their role and responsibilities, and what is expected of them and their office in the coming year. Using the Strategic Plan as our guide, we will ensure Section Officers are well-positioned to develop their respective Action Plans for the coming year, which will be the basis for the Section's continued progress and success.

11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.  Workshop for Committee Leaders: Teeing Up Committee Leaders for Success in the New Year (All Welcome)

In this interactive session, Committee leaders will discuss the challenges our Committees and Committees leaders may face:

- How can we motivate Committee members and promote their engagement?
- How do we manage a difficult Committee member?
- What are best practices for leading an active, engaged Committee?
- What activities can Committees undertake on their own?
- How can promote a strong, diverse leadership succession pipeline?

The output from this session should be a collective top 5 list in response to each of the questions posed.

12:15 p.m. – 12:30 p.m.  Final Thoughts

12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.  Boxed Lunch

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WHAT WINE COUNTRY MEMORIES WILL YOU CREATE?

Horseback Riding in the Vineyard
An exhilarating way to experience wine country! Ride on knowledgeable horses and take in the fantastic views of world famous Dry Creek Valley wine region from atop Lake Sonoma's overlook mountain.

Cheesemaking Class
Learn from an award winning cheesemaker how to craft a fresh, warm ricotta cheese that is ready to serve and enjoy within 90 minutes.

Kayaking Down the Russian River
Enjoy the tranquility of a fun and easy guided kayak trip at the mouth of the Russian River. Breathe in the fresh sea air, see the seagulls and pelicans fly around and have curious harbor seals pop up beside you!

Santa Rosa Wine Trail Cycle
Come explore the beautiful and up-and-coming wineries of Western Sonoma with a Wine Country bike tour! Travel by rails to trails and bike paths to the coolest parts of Santa Rosa!

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