AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION
Section of Labor & Employment Law
State and Local Government Bargaining & Employment Law Committee
Midwinter Meeting
January 31 – February 2, 2008
CasaMagna Marriott Resort & Spa
Puerto Vallarta, Mexico

PROGRAM AGENDA

Thursday, January 31
6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Reception and Dinner (Beach Patio)

Friday, February 1
7:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Registration and Continental Breakfast (Salon Foyer)
8:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. Welcome & Overview of Administrative Matters Co-Chairs (Salon IV)

James Allmendinger
NEA New Hampshire
Concord, New Hampshire

Mark F. Vetter
Davis & Kuelthau, s.c.
Brookfield, Wisconsin

Harvey A. Nathan
Mediator and Arbitrator
Chicago, Illinois

Section Report

James R. LaVaute, Section Chair
Syracuse, New York

Barbara Berish Brown, Section Chair-Elect
Washington, D.C.

Don Slesnick, Council Liaison – Union & Employee Coral Gables, Florida
8:30 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.  Subcommittee Report: Impact of Federal Legislation

Timothy Hawks
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Martha Marcero
Lansing, Michigan

Allan Drachman
Boston, Massachusetts

9:15 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.  Subcommittee Report: Grievance Arbitration

Kevin Harty
Lansing, Michigan

Jennifer Poltrock
Chicago, Illinois

Arthur Riegel
Hewlett Harbor, New York

9:45 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.  Subcommittee Report: Practice & Procedure – Scope of Bargaining

George Crisci
Cleveland, Ohio

Union Co-Chair TBA

10:15 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.  Refreshment Break (Salon Foyer)

10:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.  Subcommittee Report: Practice & Procedure – Jurisdiction of State Commissions and Unit Determination Issues

Fred Cloppert
Columbus, Ohio

Vickie Gillio
Chicago, Illinois

Lauri Millot
Wausau, Wisconsin
11:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Subcommittee Report: Interest Arbitration

Gary Bailey
Western Springs, Illinois

Robert Smith
Chicago, Illinois

Harvey A. Nathan
Chicago, Illinois

11:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Subcommittee Report: Practice & Procedure – Unfair Labor Practices

Sheldon Sandler
Wilmington, Delaware

Union Co-Chair TBA

1:00 p.m. Golf Tournament (Vista Vallarta Club de Golf)

6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. Sunset Reception (Beach Patio)

Saturday, February 2

7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m. Continental Breakfast (Salon Foyer)

8:00 a.m. – 8:15 a.m. Announcements and Committee Business
Co-Chairs (Salon IV)

8:15 a.m. – 9:15 a.m. SPECIAL REPORT:
“View from Above: Everything you wanted to know about card check, first contract and the Canadian collective bargaining system.”

Akivah Starkman
Director General
Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service (Canada)

9:15 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. Subcommittee Report:
Ethics in Practice of Labor & Employment Law

Jina Jonen
Madison, Wisconsin
Subcommittee Report: Diversity Committee

10:15 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Frank Garrett
Chicago, Illinois

D. Lynn Morison
Detroit, Michigan

Refreshment Break (Salon Foyer)

10:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

Subcommittee Report: Constitutional Issues – Due Process

Joseph McKittrick
North Hampton, New Hampshire

Mark Olson
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

D. Lynn Morison
Detroit, Michigan

Subcommittee Report: Constitutional Issues – First Amendment

11:15 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

Todd Park
New Castle, Pennsylvania

Colleen O’Keefe
Chicago, Illinois

Steven Rynecki
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Lisa Salkovitz Kohn
Chicago, Illinois
11:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. Subcommittee Report: Constitutional Issues – Rights of Members and Non-Members

Elliott Goldstein
Chicago, Illinois

John Gretzinger
Grand Rapids, Michigan

Union Co-Chair TBA

12:15 p.m. – 12:30 p.m. Subcommittee Report: States Without Bargaining Legislation

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12:30 p.m. – 12:45 p.m. Closing Remarks
Co-Chairs

1:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Tennis Tournament (CasaMagna Marriott)