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TEN THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT THE ANIMAL LAW COMMITTEE

- 1. The Committee publishes books on a broad range of animal law topics including litigation, wildlife, careers, and more.
- 2. The Committee produces a yearly survey and analysis of animal law cases in the Tort Trial & Insurance Practice Journal.
- 3. The Committee develops and sponsors a variety of educational programs including CLEs at ABA and TIPS meetings; a stand-alone shelter law conference; and, webinars, podcasts, and teleconferences.
- 4. The Committee publishes three newsletters a year, including an in-depth issue focused on a specific area of animal law.
- 5. The Committee sponsors local, hands-on public service projects that enhance the human-animal bond.
- The Committee recognizes a member who has made lasting contributions to the field of animal law with the annual Excellence in the Advancement of Animal Law award.
- 7. The Committee has been awarded several Tort Trial & Insurance Practice Section Awards including "Overall Excellence," "Most Innovative," "Women Involvement," "Exceptional Achievement," and "Quality Involvement."
- 8. The Committee promotes policy initiatives through American Bar Association resolutions and model legislation.
- 9. The Committee advances the interests of animal law and lawyers within the American Bar Association.
- 10. The Committee maintains a database of speakers with expertise in all areas of animal law.

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TEN REASONS YOU SHOULD JOIN THE ANIMAL LAW COMMITTEE

- 1. Network with the top animal lawyers and educators in the country.
- 2. Learn about the organizations and companies that are contributing to animal protection.
- 3. Stay on top of the current laws, litigation, and news in animal law.
- 4. Advance your career through writing newsletter articles, scholarly journal articles, and even books, on animal law.
- 5. Further your legal education through CLEs, webinars, podcasts, and teleconference programs.
- 6. Gain leadership skills through active participation in the committee.
- 7. Learn how to incorporate animal law into your practice.
- Contribute to the national policy discourse on animal law through participation in the ABA resolution process.
- 9. Have a direct impact on animal protection through participation in public service projects.
- 10. Gain in-depth knowledge and become an expert in an area of animal law through subcommittee work.

Become a part of the only national animal law organization that is addressing all of the issues that intersect animals and the law.

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WHY ANIMAL LAW?



With advances in our scientific understanding regarding the capacities of animals, dwindling natural habitats for animals living in the wild, and two thirds of Americans living with pets, the public interest in animals has increased.

The proof that animal law is one of the most important new areas of legal attention is in these facts: Animal law courses have been offered at more than 150 American law schools, including Harvard, Columbia, and Stanford; students have formed their own animal law societies in over 180 universities and law schools in North America; criminal felony laws for animal abuse now exist in every state and the District of Columbia; and since 1990, citizens of various states have used the ballot initiative process at least 20 times to pass laws to improve the treatment of animals, ranging from wildlife to farm animals.

The field of animal law is broader than laws that directly pertain to animals. It crosses over a broad spectrum of disciplines and touches virtually every area of law including torts, contracts, insurance, estate planning, intellectual property, family (custody, domestic abuse), criminal, constitutional, international trade, environmental and administrative.

The Animal Law Committee draws lawyers from diverse perspectives who are united in their common desire to pioneer this new field of law. In fact, the Animal Law Committee has partnered with at least one quarter of TIPS general committees, several of TIPS standing committees, at least eight ABA Sections, and numerous outside professional organizations, by sponsoring programs that provide an opportunity to listen to and educate each other. Through the exchange of ideas, the Animal Law Committee can truly be an instrument of change.

THE ANIMAL LAW COMMITTEE MISSION

To address all issues concerning the intersection of animals and the law to create a paradigm shift resulting in a just world for all.

WORK OF THE ANIMAL LAW COMMITTEE

The status of animals in our legal system, and in our society at large, is in flux, and attorneys are discovering innovative ways to use the rule of law in many different arenas to create a just world for all. These arenas involve a vast array of human/animal interactions, including estate planning for companion animals, due process protections in dangerous dog/reckless owner laws, appropriate compensation when an animal is killed or injured, protections against breed discrimination, standards of care and accountability for animals used in industry and agriculture, expanding notions of what constitutes "cruelty to animals," and the competing interests of wild animals and humans in dwindling resources.

SUBCOMMITTEES

As a new member of the Animal Law Committee, you can join one or more substantive subcommittees in areas such as agriculture, companion animals, equine law, international law, and wildlife. Or, expand the work of the committee by establishing a new subcommittee in your area of interest.

