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The ABA Young Lawyers Division will be accepting nominations July 1 for its National Outstanding Young Lawyer Award. The award recognizes an ABA young lawyer in good standing who exhibits professional excellence; service to the profession and the bar; service to the community; or a reputation for or the advancement of legal ethics and professional responsibility.

The nomination deadline is August 31. For more on the award program, click [here](#).

Application Period Opens for Solo and Small Firm Awards

The ABA is accepting nominations for its GP Solo and Small Firm Awards. The annual awards program recognizes dedication to the practice of law as general practitioners or solo or small firm lawyers. The deadline has been extended to June 30.

Winners will be honored at the Annual Meeting during the Joint Reception with the Section of State and Local Government Law held at the San Francisco Marriott Marquis in San Francisco on Friday, August 6. For more information click [here](#).

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People

State Bars

VA | Virginia Bar Association

Executive Director Guy Tower has announced his plans to retire July 31, 2011.

Local Bars

MI | Genesee County Bar Association

Tatilia Y. Burroughs is the bar's new executive director, replacing Ramona Sain.

News

Still Time to Complete Dues Survey

If you still haven't completed the [latest dues survey](#) for your bar, there's still time. The survey should take only 15-20 minutes. The results will become part of the 2010 State and Local Bar Dues, Fees & Member Benefits Survey, which will be published this fall.

BLOG OF THE MONTH

[Behind Bars](#) | The new blog from the Division for Bar Services. Written by DBS staff, it will keep you up to date on the latest news, information and expertise on bar leadership, management and programming. [Subscribe now](#).

- Elizabeth Derrico

LEGAL SERVICES NOW

For the latest news in funding for legal aid and pro bono developments, click [here](#).

BAI FACT

Only 53% percent of state bars and 22% of local bars have a

Please complete the survey by **Friday, August 13**.

Resources

Give You a Break? Sure, We'll Give You a Break

Been thinking of using one of the Division for Bar Services' [Consulting Services](#)? Now is the time. New fees are set to take effect September 1, but reserve a date now for a Fall 2010 planning session or board retreat and the division will still honor the 2009 price schedule. That could be a savings of \$250!

For details, contact Jennifer Lewin at Jennifer.Lewin@americanbar.org or (312) 988-5361.

Featured Annual Meeting Programs

The ABA's 2010 Annual Meeting is upon us. Check out some highlights on our [featured programs page](#).

New Survey Reveals Lawyer Tech Habits

An exhaustive, six-volume survey reveals how lawyers are using technology these days -- and the role their bar associations play. The survey, published by the ABA's Legal Technology Resource Center, spans six volumes and includes responses from nearly 5,000 lawyers.

Among the survey's bar-related stats: 25% of respondents use their state bar's legal research provider, such as Fastcase or Casemaker, the most for free legal research.

Another interesting stat: the ABA is offering a 20% discount on the survey for a limited time. Call (312) 988-5465 or e-mail ltrc@americanbar.org.

Law-Related Education (LRE) Network

Sign up your LRE program in the ABA's [LRE Database](#) -- it could be featured on the website or in the [LawMatters](#) newsletter, which is distributed to 20,000 lawyers, judges, civic education leaders, and educators across the country.

ABA Releases Diversity Report, Will Feature Bar Implementation Stories on Website

A new ABA report lays out proposals to advance diversity in the profession. The report, which includes recommendations for bar associations, is the result of a two-year study by the ABA's Commission on Diversity. A PDF can be downloaded [here](#). Hard copies can be requested from diversity@americanbar.org.

Suggestions for bars begin on page 35. The commission encourages bars to [e-mail](#) information on how they plan to implement -- or are already implementing -- them. Responses will be noted on the [Next Steps website](#).

A [discussion](#) on four of the report's emerging issues will be held during the ABA Annual meeting in San Francisco.

Public Ed Focuses on Juvenile Justice

The latest issue of Division for Public Education periodical *Focus on Law Studies* explores issues around the juvenile justice system. Download it for [free](#).

Awards

Georgia Bar, Florida Law School Honored for Professionalism

The State Bar of Georgia's Mentor Program and the Florida Coastal School of Law's Shadow Program have been named recipients of the 2010 Gambrell Professionalism Award. The award recognizes projects that contribute to lawyer professionalism.

The institutions will be feted at the joint NABE/NCBP/NCBF luncheon during the 2010 ABA Annual Meeting.

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HOD REPORTS

The Standing Committee on Client Protection filed Report 103 with the House of Delegates for consideration at the 2010 Annual Meeting in San Francisco. The recommendation seeks to substitute the Model Rules for Client Trust Account Records for the Model Rule on Financial Recordkeeping. You can view the full report [here](#).

At the 2011 ABA Midyear Meeting in Atlanta, Georgia, the ABA Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar will recommend to the House of Delegates the adoption of [amendments to the Model Rule on Admission by Motion](#). Please forward any comments or questions by November 15, 2010, to [Charlotte \(Becky\) Stretch](#).

UPCOMING MEETINGS

8/3 - 8/7/10
[NABE/NCBP/NCBF Annual Meetings](#)
San Francisco
Contact: [Haley Swilling](#)

8/5 - 8/10/10
[ABA Annual Meeting Programs of interest](#)
San Francisco
Contact: [Donna Mosher](#)

8/6 - 8/7/10
[ABA Section of Family Law Annual Meeting](#)
San Francisco | San Francisco Marriott
Contact: [Alissa Norris](#)

10/20 - 10/23/10
[ABA Section of Family Law Fall CLE Conference](#)
Fort Worth, TX | Omni Fort Worth Hotel
Contact: [Carrie Asalon](#)

11/8 - 11/12/10
[40-Hour Family Mediation Training](#)
Boston
Contact: [Alissa Norris](#)

3/10 - 3/11/11
[ABA Bar Leadership Institute](#)

New Professionalism Award to Honor First Recipient

Lindsay C. Harrison of Jenner & Block, LLP has been named [the first recipient](#) of the Rosner & Rosner Young Lawyers Professionalism Award. Harrison will be honored at the NABE/NCBP/NCBF Joint Awards Luncheon during the ABA Annual Meeting on Friday, August 6 at the San Francisco Hilton.

Nomination Period Opens for Difference Maker Award

The ABA General Practice, Solo and Small Firm Division is accepting nominations for its annual Difference Makers Awards. The awards recognize lawyers who break down barriers for women, people of color, people with disabilities and regardless of sexual orientation.

Winners will be honored at the division's 2010 Fall Meeting and National Solo and Small Firm Conference Awards Ceremony in Austin, Texas on Friday, October 22.

Applications must be submitted by August 31. For more information on the awards, including the application, click [here](#).

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on Capitol Hill
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[ABA Bar Leadership Institute](#)
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The awards will be presented during the ABA Annual Meeting in San Francisco on Friday, August 6th, at a joint luncheon of the National Conference of Bar Presidents, National Association of Bar Executives and National Conference of Bar Foundations.

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Hotel Discount for ABA Members

A new ABA member benefit offers [25% off the best available rate](#) at more than 500 hotels and resorts around the world, through December 31.

Web Site to Report on Fed Court Happenings

An upcoming ABA Web site will report on newsworthy cases in Federal Circuit Courts. The site will provide short summaries of Circuit Court opinions of public interest and cases pending oral argument.

Deadline approaching for the National Online Youth Summit.

A December 9 deadline has been announced to [register](#) for the ABA's National Online Youth Summit. The 12-week, web-based program encourages high school students to learn about and critically evaluate a timely, law-related topic.

Awards

Nomination Period Opens for Legal Services Award

Nominations are being accepted for the 2010 ABA [Louis M. Brown Award for Legal Access](#). The award recognizes innovations in the delivery of legal services to those of moderate incomes. The nomination deadline is December 12.

Nomination Period Opens for Pro Bono Award

The ABA Senior Lawyers Division is accepting nominations for the 2010 John H. Pickering Achievement Award. The award honors pro bono activities and law-related societal issues affecting the elderly. The nomination deadline is February 26.

For more information, visit www.abanet.org/srlawyers and scroll to Awards.

Miami's Angones Wins Diversity Award

ABA Standing Committee on Bar Activities and Services member Frank Angones is among five winners of the ABA's annual Spirit of Excellence Awards. The awards honor lawyers who promote racial and ethnic diversity in the legal profession. Angones is a new appointment to the committee, which oversees the work of the Division for Bar Services. He is a past president of the Florida Bar and current partner in the Miami firm Angones, McClure & Garcia P.A.

The awards will be presented at the ABA's Midyear Meeting in Orlando, Fl. To sponsor the awards, click [here](#). For more on the awards, contact Aracely Muñoz Petrich at (312) 988-5638 or Aracely.MunozPetrich@americanbar.org.

Application Period Opens for YLD Subgrant Program

Nominations are being accepted for the ABA Young Lawyers Division's [Subgrant Program](#). The program provides funding to young lawyer organizations for activities that benefit local communities, leaders, or members. The application deadline is March 1.

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