



## Top News

### ABA Future Commission Releases Final Report

The ABA Commission on the Future of Legal Services has released its [final report](#). The Commission was established in 2014 by then ABA President William Hubbard to improve the delivery of, and access to, legal services in the United States.

### DBS Unveils New Resource Pages

The Division for Bar Services has published two new collections of online resources: [small bars](#) and [succession planning](#).

### ABA Diversity Commission Reveals Results

A new website reveals the [final results](#) of the work of the ABA's Diversity and Inclusion 360 Commission. The group, established by ABA Immediate Past President Paulette Brown, studied ways to improve the state of diversity and inclusion in the legal profession.

### Law Day 2017 Theme Announced

The [2017 Law Day theme](#) will be *The Fourteenth Amendment: Transforming American Democracy*.

## Resources

### New Film Highlights Challenges of Lawyer Transition

A [short documentary and discussion guide](#) aim to start conversations about lawyer transition and retirement, and help bars capture the stories of those who are leaving the practice. The film, offered through the Division for Bar Services, gives a thoughtful look at lawyer Herbert Kramer's transition out of law practice at age 87. View a clip of the film [here](#). Request a film preview by contacting [Jennifer Lewin](#).

### Incubator Survey Released

The Standing Committee on the Delivery of Legal Services has released the findings of its recent [survey of lawyer incubators](#), programs that prepare recently-admitted lawyers to start their own solo and small-firm practices.

## Policy & Legislation

### ABA Seeks Comments on Law School Accreditation

The ABA is seeking comments on the [qualifications of 14 law schools](#) whose accreditation will be reviewed during on-site visits next year.

## People

### Executive Director Changes Across the Country

In the east, [Jason Hensley](#) will take over as North Carolina Bar Association ED in

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### BAR SCHOOL

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The ABCs of Bar Associations  
*Registration Opening Soon*

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Delivery of Legal Services  
Update  
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### UPCOMING MEETINGS

#### 9/15 - 9/17/16

[Conference of Metropolitan Bar Associations](#)  
Naples, FL  
Contact: [Vickie Schatz](#)

#### 9/29 - 10/1/16

[2016 Solo & Small Firm Summit](#)  
Cincinnati, OH  
Contact: [GPSolo](#)

#### 10/5 - 10/8/16

[2016 ABA National Lawyer Referral Workshop](#)  
Albuquerque, NM  
Contact: [Kathleen Hughes](#)

#### 11/14 - 11/16/16

[ABA Section of Litigation's 2016 Professional Success Summit](#)  
Atlanta, GA  
Contact: [Porscha Boyd](#)

#### 1/31 - 2/4/17

[NABE/NCBP/NCBF Midyear Meeting](#)  
Miami  
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#### 2/1 - 2/7/17

[ABA Midyear Meeting](#)  
Miami  
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January 2017, while the Roanoke Bar Association (VA) welcomes new ED Diane Higgs.

In the midwest, Sarah Martis is the new ED of the Milwaukee Bar Association, replacing James Temmer. [Catherine Glover](#) takes the same position at the Cincinnati Bar Association.

In the south, Texas bars have two new EDs: [Alicia Hernandez](#) at the Dallas Bar Association and D. Larkin Chenault at the San Antonio Bar Association. [Carla Tharp Brown](#) takes the same post at the Palm Beach County Bar Association in Florida.

Further west, Allister Adel is the new ED at the Maricopa County Bar Association in Arizona.

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## For Your Members

### The State of Criminal Justice 2016

In this [publication](#), authors from the criminal justice field examine major issues, trends, and changes in the criminal justice system.

### Free CLE on Veteran Representation

A CLE on August 15, free to ABA members, will address [how to provide effective representation](#) to veterans in civil and criminal matters. The program, part of the ABA's Free CLE Series, is sponsored by the ABA's Legal Assistance for Military Personnel committee.

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