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Top News

Complete Your 2017 Benchmarks Survey

The Division for Bar Services is asking bars to respond to its *2017 State and Local Bar Benchmarks Survey: Membership, Programming and the Legal Profession*. The data is used extensively to respond to bar association information requests.

Bars that responded last year received a customized survey last week with previous answers filled in. Bars that did not respond last year can complete the survey [here](#). Responses are due June 30.

Pro Bono Week Announced

The ABA is encouraging bars to participate in this year's [National Pro Bono Celebration](#), October 22-28. The annual event is an effective strategic tool for enhancing and expanding local efforts to increase access to justice for all.

Resources

Free CLE Program to Discuss Implicit Bias

An upcoming CLE program will explore [how implicit bias works](#) and its effect on day-to-day decisions and the exercise of discretion in the legal workplace. The program, part of the [ABA's monthly Free CLE Series](#) will be held June 19 at 1 p.m ET.

Twitter Chat to Discuss Lawyer Suicide

A live Twitter conversation will discuss the high rate of suicides in the legal profession and how to prevent and cope with them. The discussion, hosted by the ABA Commission on Lawyer Assistance Programs ([@ABACoLAP](#)), will begin June 27 at 1 p.m. ET, using the hashtag [#LawyerSuicideAwareness](#).

New Book Focuses on Boards

The ABA Division for Bar Services has released its [first book](#) focused solely on the unique role of bar association board members. The handbook, *New Bar Board Member*, helps readers learn about the bar landscape, refreshes their understanding of fiduciary duty and the practices of exceptional boards, and helps them understand how every board experience is different.

Awards

Submission Period Opens for Law Day Activity Awards

The ABA Division for Public Education is accepting submissions for the [Law Day Activity Awards](#). The awards honor Law Day programs that promote public understanding of law using the 2017 Law Day theme. The submission deadline is June 30.

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People

One ED Leaves, Four Begin

Connecticut Bar Association ED Douglas Brown left the bar last month to return to consulting, speaking, and teaching. At the Tennessee Bar Association, [Joycelyn Stevenson has been named executive director](#). At the Florida Bar, [Joshua Doyle will succeed longtime ED Jack Harkness](#), who is retiring after 37 years in the position.

Further west, June Moynihan [has taken the helm](#) at the San Antonio Bar Association. And in Colorado, Laura Ruth will succeed Christine Hylbert as ED of the Boulder County Bar Association starting July 1.

For Your Members

New GPSolo eReport Published

The [April 2017 issue of the GPSolo eReport](#) focuses on technology and practice management tips, featuring articles such as "The Lawyer's Guide to Profitable Virtual Presentations, Part 3" and "Tips for Maintaining Your Passion for the Practice of Law, Part 3."

Insider Trading: Law and Developments

This [book](#) provides timely, expert analysis of recent developments and emerging trends in insider trading enforcement.

Tell the Client's Story: Mitigation in Criminal and Death Penalty Cases

This [book](#) provides litigation teams with strategies for effective mitigation work in criminal and capital cases.

The New Handshake: Online Dispute Resolution and the Future of Consumer Protection

This [book](#) focuses on resolving disputes arising from online transactions. It aims to rebuild trust in the business to consumer marketplace and provide a blueprint for the future of online consumer protection.

The ABA Compliance Officer's Deskbook

A user-friendly, practical, and real-world focused [desk book](#) written for today's compliance professional. The book aims to empower compliance professionals to better understand the regulatory and enforcement landscapes in which they operate.

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