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#### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5—SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7

9:00 am - 5:00 pm  
Hilton Americas Hotel, 4th Floor, ABA Registration Area  
**MAGNA CARTA: ENDURING LEGACY 1215 - 2015**  
Visit this exceptional exhibit organized by the ABA and the Library of Congress to educate all ages about the history, legacy, and impact of this seminal document.

#### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6

9:00 - 11:00 am  
George R. Brown Convention Center, Level 3, Rm 342 B/E  
**HOW TO CONDUCT FREE LEGAL RESEARCH ONLINE**  
This popular program focuses on the legal research services and resources available from the Law Library of Congress as well as other free online collections. Learn about the Law Library's global research services, its vast worldwide collections, and expert staff. Following an overview of the Law Library and its services available to lawyers, librarians, and researchers around the world, our presenter explains the organization and content of Congress.gov and THOMAS, the Library of Congress's federal legislative information sites, which together contain the full texts of House and Senate bills and resolutions, the Congressional Record, and much more. This program also highlights other free online legal collections and search engines, such as the U.S. Government Printing Office's Federal Digital System (FDsys), Cornell University Law School's Legal Information Institute, the University of California Santa Barbara's American Presidency Project, HG.org, FindLaw, Justia, LexisWeb, Google Scholar, and a number of other products.  
**Presenter:** Barbara Bavis, Legal Reference Specialist, Law Library of Congress, Washington, DC  
**Standing Committee on the Law Library of Congress**  
Cosponsors: Law Practice Division; Law Student Division; Division for Public Education; Division for Public Services; Solo, Small Firm and General Practice Division; Section of International Law; Section of Science & Technology Law; Standing Committee on Technology & Information Systems  
**Complimentary CLE**

10:00 am - 12:30 pm  
George R. Brown Convention Center, Level 3, Rm 332 C/F  
**TOWN HALL ON MONEY AND POLITICS**  
The Standing Committee on Election Law was created in 1973 with the purpose of developing and examining ways to improve the federal electoral process. As part of this task, they are committed to study of election reform and have begun to sponsor a series of Town Halls on issues related to the electoral process. In 2014, the Committee hosted Town Halls in Miami, FL on Early Voting/Election Day Issues; in Philadelphia, PA on Voter Identification; in Columbus, OH on Voter Registration and Election Administration; in Austin, TX on Redistricting; and in Tempe, AZ on Election Reform. The goal is to meet with state and local election administrators, bar leaders, and interested individuals and organizations working to make our electoral process run more smoothly, to highlight the importance of our electoral system and to develop best practices and standards that can be used nationwide.  
**Standing Committee on Election Law**
**10:00 - 11:30 am**
George R. Brown Convention Center, Level 3, Rm 342 C/F

**ELIMINATING DEBT AND COMBATTING POVERTY: HOW TO EFFECTIVELY ADDRESS CONSUMER AND TAX DEBT, CHILD SUPPORT ARREARAGES AND COURT-IMPOSED LEGAL FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS**
Experts in consumer debt, tax debt, child support debt and court-imposed legal financial obligations will discuss the ways in which debt drives and entrenches poverty; effective strategies for lawyers to better assist their clients; and legal barriers created by such debt. Panelists will explore how lawyers can assist individuals mired in debt and the broader systemic reforms needed.

**Moderator:** Katherine McGovern, J.D., Pine Tree Legal Assistance, Portland, ME

**Panelists:** Nick Allen, J.D., Columbia Legal Services, Institutions Project, Seattle, WA; Renato Izuquito, J.D., Legal Aid Society of Orange County, Santa Ana, CA; Dalié Jiménez, J.D., Associate Professor of Law & Jeremy Bentham Scholar, University of Connecticut School of Law, Hartford, CT

**Commission on Homelessness and Poverty**
Cosponsors: Commission on Domestic & Sexual Violence; Commission on Hispanic Legal Rights & Responsibilities; Commission on Law and Aging; Standing Committee on Legal Aid & Indigent Defenders

**Complimentary CLE**

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**2:30 - 4:30 pm**
George R. Brown Convention Center, Level 3, Rm 352 E

**Coordinating Committee on Veterans Benefits and Services** Meeting and Roundtable Discussion

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**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7**

**10:00 - 11:30 am**
George R. Brown Convention Center, Rm 332 C/F

**THE PROS AND CONS OF THE EXERCISE OF EXECUTIVE ACTION IN IMMIGRATION LAW**

**Moderator:** Crystal Ayala, News reporter and anchor, Univision Houston, Houston, TX

**Speakers:** Thomas A. Saenz, President and General Counsel, Mexican-American Legal Defense Fund, Los Angeles, CA; Professor Michael Olivas, University of Houston Law Center, Houston, TX; Professor Leticia Saucedo, University of California-Davis School of Law, Davis, CA

**Primary Sponsor:** ABA Commission on Hispanic Legal Rights and Responsibilities

**Cosponsor:** Commission on Immigration

**CLE credit will be offered**

**10:00 am - 12:30 pm**
George R. Brown Convention Center, Level 3, Rm 351 C/F

**TOWN HALL ON INFORMED CONSENT**
The Special Committee on Bioethics and the Law is hosting Town Halls throughout the country in order to gain feedback to better develop policy on issues related to bioethics and the law. The first Town Hall took place in October 2014 in San Diego, convening lawyers, academics, healthcare professionals, interested individuals, and organizations working in the field. The purpose is to highlight the importance of critical issues such as informed consent, and to develop best practices and standards that can be used nationwide.

**Special Committee on Bioethics and the Law**

**2:00 - 3:30 pm**
George R. Brown Convention Center, Level 3, Rm 342 A/D

**HOMELAND AND NATIONAL SECURITY LAW: THE EVOLUTION OF DOMESTIC EXTREMISM**

**Moderator:** Harvey Rishikof, Chair, Standing Committee on Law and National Security Advisory Committee, Washington, DC

**Panelists:** Dina Temple-Raston, NPR Counterterrorism Correspondent, New York, NY; Geoffrey Corn, Professor
of Law and expert in military and national security law, South Texas College of Law, Houston, TX; Josh Snively, Assistant Dean for External Relations, Oklahoma City University School of Law, Oklahoma City, OK

Standing Committee on Law and National Security

2:00 - 3:30 pm
Hyatt Regency Houston, Level 3, Dogwood Room

IMMIGRATION RELIEF FOR ABUSED CHILDREN: WHAT STATE COURTS SHOULD KNOW ABOUT THEIR ROLE IN DETERMINING ELIGIBILITY
State courts have a congressionally mandated role in issuing court orders that help federal immigration authorities determine a child’s eligibility for Special Immigrant Juvenile (SIJ) classification. SIJ is a form of immigration relief for foreign-born children present in the United States who may be in need of humanitarian protection because they have been abused, abandoned or neglected by a parent. This session is designed for any state court judge with jurisdiction to make judicial determinations about the care and custody of children. Panelists from both the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) and the advocate community will lead a discussion on the elements of the SIJ classification application process that are critical for judicial stakeholders to consider when hearing SIJ cases.

Panelist: Eileen Matuszak, Adjudications Officer (Policy), United States Citizenship and Immigration Services, Washington, DC
Primary Sponsor: ABA Standing Committee on Pro Bono and Public Service
Cosponsor: Commission on Immigration
CLE credit will not be offered

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6

7:30 am - 7:00 pm
George R. Brown Convention Center, Level 3, Grand Ballroom C

JUDICIAL CLERKSHIP PROGRAM
Sponsor: Council for Racial and Ethnic Diversity in the Educational Pipeline

9:00 am - 12:00 Noon
George R. Brown Convention Center, Level 3, Rm 310C

CANCER RIGHTS LEGAL ADVOCACY WORKSHOP
Sponsor: Health Law Section

11:00 am - 12:30 pm
Hyatt Regency Houston, 3rd Level, Mesquite

FREE SPEECH AND ACCOUNTABILITY ON SOCIAL MEDIA: WHERE TO DRAW THE LINE?
Sponsor: Criminal Justice Section

1:00 - 3:00 pm
Hyatt Regency Houston, 2nd Level, Arboretum I/II/III

ETHICAL CONSIDERATIONS IN PUBLIC SECTOR LAW
Sponsor: Government and Public Sector Lawyers Division

Additional Public Interest Programs at the ABA Midyear Meeting

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5

12:00 Noon - 7:30 pm
George R. Brown Convention Center, Level 3, Grand Ballroom C

JUDICIAL CLERKSHIP PROGRAM
Sponsor: Council for Racial and Ethnic Diversity in the Educational Pipeline
Includes ticketed reception
1:00 - 2:30 pm
Hyatt Regency Houston, 3rd Level, Mesquite
SOCIAL MEDIA IN DISCOVERY, EVIDENCE AND POST-CONVICTON SUPERVISION
Sponsor: Criminal Justice Section
Complimentary CLE

1:30 - 3:00 pm
George R. Brown Convention Center, Level 3, Rm 342 B/E
LGBT RIGHTS AROUND THE WORLD: A LEGAL PERSPECTIVE
Sponsor: Commission on Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity
CLE Credit will be offered

1:30 - 4:00 pm
South Texas College of Law, Garrett-Townes Hall, 1303
San Jacinto Street, Houston, TX
REPRESENTING UNACCOMPANIED MINORS 101
Sponsor: UAC Working Group
CLE credit will be offered

2:30 - 4:30 pm
George R. Brown Convention Center, Level 3, Rm 342 C/F
MEN JOINING WOMEN FOR CHANGE: HARNESING THE POWER OF INCLUSIVITY
Sponsor: Commission on Women in the Profession

3:00 - 4:30 pm
George R. Brown Convention Center, Level 3, Rm 310B
DISCIPLINING ONE’S KIDS: WHAT’S “REASONABLE” UNDER THE LAW?
Sponsor: Commission on Youth at Risk
CLE credit will be offered

3:30 - 5:00 pm
George R. Brown Convention Center, Level 3, Rm 361 A/D
SELLING JUSTICE OR FUNDING DEMOCRACY?
CAMPAIGN FINANCE IN JUDICIAL ELECTIONS
Sponsor: Section of Individual Rights and Responsibilities

5:30 - 7:30 pm
Hilton Americas Houston, Level 2, Americas B
ROBERT F. DRINAN AWARDS RECEPTION
Sponsor: Section of Individual Rights and Responsibilities

5:30 - 7:30 pm
George R. Brown Convention Center, Level 3, Rm 330 A/B
ALEXANDER AWARD RECEPTION
Sponsor: Council for Racial and Ethnic Diversity in the Educational Pipeline

6:00 - 7:00 pm
Hilton Americas Houston, Level 3, Rm 337 A/B
SPIRIT OF EXCELLENCE – MEET & GREET
Sponsor: Commission on Racial and Ethnic Diversity in the Profession

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7

8:00 - 10:00 am
George R. Brown Convention Center, Level 3, Rm 361 A/D
CONVOCATION ON IMMIGRATION
The convocation is intended to bring together all relevant ABA entities to discuss ABA activities relating to immigration issues, how to engage additional lawyers in pro bono efforts, and opportunities for future collaboration among ABA groups.

8:00 am - 2:00 pm
George R. Brown Convention Center, Level 3, Grand Ballroom C
JUDICIAL CLERKSHIP PROGRAM
Sponsor: Council for Racial and Ethnic Diversity in the Educational Pipeline

10:00 - 11:30 am
George R. Brown Convention Center, Level 3, Rm 332 C/F
THE PROS AND CONS OF THE EXERCISE OF EXECUTIVE ACTION IN IMMIGRATION LAW
Sponsor: Hispanic Legal Rights and Responsibilities

12:00 Noon - 1:30 pm
Hilton Americas Houston, Level 2, Americas B
HUMAN RIGHTS LUNCHEON
Sponsor: ABA Center for Human Rights

12:00 Noon - 2:00 pm
Hilton Americas Houston, Level 4, Lanier D/E/F/G/H/I
SPIRIT OF EXCELLENCE AWARDS LUNCHEON – CELEBRATING 20 YEARS
Sponsor: Commission on Racial and Ethnic Diversity in the Profession
Ticketed Event

2:00 - 3:30 pm
George R. Brown Convention Center, Level 3, Rm 342 C/F
RAPE IN THE FIELDS: FILM SCREENING AND DISCUSSION
Sponsor: Commission on Domestic & Sexual Violence
Complimentary Event
2:30 - 5:00 pm
George R. Brown Convention Center, Level 3, Rm 351 A/D
COMMISSION ON THE FUTURE OF LEGAL SERVICES HEARINGS
Sponsor: Commission on the Future of Legal Services

4:30 - 8:30 pm
George R. Brown Convention Center, Level 3, Rm 343 A/B
STONEMALL AWARD RECEPTION
Sponsor: Commission on Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8

2:15 - 4:30 pm
Hilton Americas Houston, Level 2, Americas C
WOMEN’S CAUCUS
Sponsor: Commission on Women in the Profession

PUBLIC INTEREST LAW-RELATED POLICY PROPOSALS FOR HOUSE OF DELEGATES CONSIDERATION

For more information about policy proposals at the Midyear Meeting, please see the Executive Summaries of Resolutions with Reports.

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