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American Bar Association Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar



Robert K. Walsh Is the 2010 Kutak Award Recipient



Robert K. Walsh, professor and dean emeritus at Wake Forest University School of Law, is the 2010 recipient of the Section's Robert J. Kutak Award. Nominating letters underscored Professor Walsh's current tenure as president of the American Inns of Court as evidence of his qualifications for the award. A long-time advocate of including law schools in the Inns of Court, he has made it a priority to encourage law school deans, faculty and students to embrace the organization's pursuit of legal excellence, civility, ethics, and professionalism. Under Professor Walsh's leadership, Inns of Court membership has grown from single digits to more than 100.

During his term as president, the organization developed a series of practice skills videos entitled "Visions of Excellence," which were distributed to every law school in the country. One of the few non-judges to serve as Inns of Court president, Professor Walsh was also recently elected an Honorary Academic Bencher of the Honorable Society of the Inner Temple, one of the four Inns of Court in London, an honor that is rarely bestowed outside the United Kingdom.

Professor Walsh served as dean of Wake Forest University School of Law from 1989 to 2007. Previously, he was a litigation partner with a Little Rock, Arkansas, law firm; dean of the University of Arkansas at Little Rock School of Law; a law professor at Villanova University School of Law; and an associate with a Los Angeles law firm. He earned a bachelor's degree at Providence College and a law degree at Harvard Law School.

In addition to serving as chair of the Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar from

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Beginning with the Fall 2010 issue, *Syllabus* will become an electronic publication, published four times a year, in an html version. This transition will allow us to communicate with Section members faster and more often. *Syllabus* will continue to bring you updates on law school accreditation, trends in legal education, and activities of the Section. Past issues will be archived on the Section's Web site.

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The Nominating Committee has made the following recommendations to Jerome C. Hafter, Chair of the Section. All of the nominees have indicated their willingness to have their names placed into nomination. The election of Section officers and Council members will occur at the Section's Annual Business Meeting, Saturday, August 7, 2010, at the Hotel Nikko, 222 Mason Street, San Francisco.

Chair

(automatic under the Bylaws)

Honorable Christine Durham

has been on the Utah Supreme Court since 1982, and has served as chief justice and chair of the Utah Judicial Council since 2002. She previously served on the state trial court after a number of years in private practice. She received an A.B. with honors from Wellesley College and a J.D. from Duke University, where she is a member of the board of trustees. Currently she serves on the board of directors for the National Center for State Courts, is a member of the Council of the American Law Institute, and is a fellow of the American Bar Association. Past professional service includes the governing boards of the American Inns of Court Foundation, the Appellate Judges Conference of the ABA, the Rand Corporation's Institute for Civil Justice, the ABA's Commission on Women in the Profession, and the Federal Judicial Conference's Advisory Committee on the Rules of Civil Procedure. Justice Durham is a past president of the National Association of Women Judges, and was that organization's Honoree

of the Year in 1997. Active in judicial education, Justice Durham was a founder of the Leadership Institute in Judicial Education, helped to create and lead the Utah Coalition for Civic Character and Service Education, and serves on the Utah Commission on Civic Education. She was an adjunct professor for many years at the University of Utah College of Law, teaching state constitutional law, and served for 12 years on the Utah Constitutional Revision Commission. She has received honorary degrees from four Utah universities and has been recognized nationally for her work in judicial education and efforts to improve the administration of justice. In 2007 she received the William H. Rehnquist Award for Judicial Excellence.

Chair-Elect Nominee

John F. O'Brien has been dean of New England Law School since 1988. A native of Staten Island, New York, he received a B.A. in 1973 from Manhattan College; a J.D. in 1977 from New England Law School, where he graduated first in his class; and an LL.M. in taxation in 1980 from Boston University School of Law. From 1977 to 1985, he was a senior attorney in the Office of the Chief Counsel of the Internal Revenue Service. In 1985, he joined the faculty of New England Law School, teaching constitutional law and federal income taxation. He served as associate dean for two years before being named dean. Dean O'Brien previously served as chair of both the Accreditation Committee and the Independent Law Schools Forum

of the Section. Before serving as chair of the Accreditation Committee, he was involved in the accreditation process, serving as special fact-finder and as both member and chair of law school evaluation teams. He is admitted to practice in Massachusetts, the United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts, the United States Tax Court, and the United States Supreme Court. He has received honorary doctor of laws degrees from New England Law School (1998) and from his undergraduate alma mater, Manhattan College (2006). Dean O'Brien has served on the Council since 2005 and served as Vice Chair in 2009-2010.

Vice Chair Nominee

Kent D. Syverud is the dean and Ethan A.H. Shepley University Professor at Washington University School of Law. Before coming to Washington University in 2006, Dean Syverud was the Garner Anthony Professor of Law at Vanderbilt University Law School for eight years, and spent 1987 to 1997 at the University of Michigan Law School, first as a professor and then as professor and associate dean for academic affairs. Prior to joining legal education, Dean Syverud was an attorney at Wilmer, Cutler & Pickering in Washington, D.C., and clerked for Justice Sandra Day O'Connor at the U.S. Supreme Court and Judge Louis F. Oberdorfer at the United States District Court for the District of Columbia. He is a member of numerous legal education organizations including the Law School Admission Council (chair

of the board of trustees, 2005-2007; board member, 1999-2008), the American Law Institute, and was president of the American Law Deans Association from 2003 to 2005. From 1998 to 2004, Dean Syverud was editor of the *Journal of Legal Education*. He was also an expert witness on behalf of the University of Michigan in the case of *Gutter v. Bollinger et al.* before the U.S. Supreme Court. Dean Syverud earned a B.S. *magna cum laude* and Phi Beta Kappa, from the Georgetown University School of Foreign Service; a master's degree in economics from the University of Michigan Rackham School of Graduate Studies; and a J.D. *magna cum laude* from the University of Michigan Law School where he was Order of the Coif and editor-in-chief of the *Michigan Law Review*. His previous Section activities include serving on the 2006-2007 Accreditation Policy Task Force, co-chairing the 2009 Deans Workshop Planning Committee, and participating on site evaluation teams, several times as chair. Dean Syverud has served on the Council since 2009.

Council Member Nominees
The Honorable Rebecca White Berch was appointed to the Arizona Supreme Court in March 2002 and became its 23rd chief justice in 2009. Before her appointment to the supreme court, she served the state of Arizona as solicitor general, first assistant attorney general, and as a court of appeals judge. Following graduation from the Arizona State University (ASU) law school in 1979, Justice Berch practiced law in Phoenix. In 1986, she joined the faculty at Arizona State University College of Law as director of the Legal Writing program. She also served as director of the law school's academic support

program. For the Section, she has served on the Bar Admissions Committee, including two years as its chair.

Before joining the Arizona Supreme Court, Justice Berch served on the Arizona Bar Examinations Committee. She currently serves on the board of trustees of the National Conference of Bar Examiners. In addition to her J.D. degree, Justice Berch holds a master's degree in English, also from ASU. The law school textbook she co-authored, *Introduction to Legal Method and Process*, is in its fifth edition and is used in law schools throughout the nation. Justice Berch is a strong proponent of pro bono work; the Pro Bono Suite at ASU's Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law is named in her honor.

General Leo A. Brooks Sr. retired in January 1984 from the United States Army, having reached the grade of major general. He began his military career as an infantry rifle platoon leader in the 2nd Infantry Division in Anchorage, Alaska. Subsequently, he was an assistant professor of military science at Central State University in Wilberforce, Ohio, an advisor to the Vietnamese Army, and a battalion commander in Vietnam. He served in the Pentagon twice: first, as a budget liaison to the U.S. Congress and secondly, as a senior logistician in the Office of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. Upon his retirement from the Army, General Brooks became the managing director of the City of Philadelphia, where he headed the activities of the city's 30,000 employees in the ten service departments. He is currently an ordained deacon, a lay leader and an adult Sunday school teacher at Alfred Street Baptist Church, Alexandria, Virginia.

General Brooks holds a bachelor of science degree from

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Virginia State University and a master of science in financial management from George Washington University. He is also a graduate of the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, and the National War College in Washington, D.C.

Paulette Brown is Partner and Chief Diversity Officer at the national law firm of Edwards Angell Palmer & Dodge LLP. Her practice is focused on all facets of labor and employment and commercial litigation, successfully defending cases involving discrimination on the basis of age, sex, marital status, sexual harassment, disability, race, and national origin. Prior to joining Edwards Angell Palmer & Dodge, Ms. Brown was a partner at Duane Morris and at Brown & Childress, served as corporate counsel to several Fortune 500 companies, and served as a municipal court judge. Ms. Brown is a certified mediator for the United States District Court, District of New Jersey, a member of the Employment AAA Panel, and serves as secretary of the Labor and Employment Section of the New Jersey State Bar Association. From 1993 to 1994, she was president of the National Bar Association and has held a number of other leadership positions in the organization. From 1991 to 1993, Ms. Brown was Master of the C. Willard Heckel Inn of Court.

After earning a bachelor's degree from Howard University, Ms. Brown earned a J.D. from Seton Hall University School of Law. She has been recognized by the *New Jersey Law Journal* as one of the prominent women and minority attorneys in the state of New Jersey, named by the *National Law Journal* as one of the "50 Most Influential

Minority Attorneys in the United States," and received the Thurgood Marshall College Fund's Award of Excellence. Ms. Brown is completing a term on the ABA Board of Governors and the House of Delegates. She has also been active in the ABA Governance Commission, the Section of Litigation, the Section of Labor and Employment, Commission on Women in the Profession, Fund for Justice Education, and was chair of the Council on Racial and Ethnic Justice.

Edwin J. Butterfoss is a professor at Hamline University Law School in St. Paul, Minnesota. Professor Butterfoss joined the Hamline faculty from the Philadelphia law firm of Pepper, Hamilton and Scheetz, where he practiced in the areas of product liability, employment discrimination, and commercial law. He also handled pro bono cases involving prisoners' rights and was a volunteer attorney for the Support Center for Child Advocacy. At Hamline, Professor Butterfoss teaches Contracts, Criminal Law, and Criminal Procedure. He previously served as associate dean for academic affairs and was dean of the law school from 1998 to 2003. He will again assume the role of associate dean beginning July 1, 2010. He has served as a special assistant Hennepin County attorney, as a member of the Mayor's Task Force on Police-Community Relations in St. Paul, a member of the Minnesota Supreme Court-Criminal Courts Study Commission, a board member of the ACLU of Minnesota, and as a founding board member of the Innocence Project of Minnesota. Currently, he is a member of the Minnesota Judges' Criminal Benchbook Committee.

Professor Butterfoss has served as a member of the Accreditation Committee, which he chaired for

three years and currently serves on the Standards Review Committee and the Foreign Programs Committee. He graduated *magna cum laude* from Miami University of Ohio with a bachelor's degree in accounting and *magna cum laude* with a J.D. from Georgetown University Law Center where he was on the editorial board and case and note editor for the *Georgetown Law Journal*.

Michael J. Davis is the Centennial Teaching Professor of Law at the University of Kansas School of Law. Professor Davis joined the KU law faculty in 1971 and teaches Property, Government Regulation of Land Development, and Religion and the State. In 1991, he received the Immel Award for Teaching Excellence. In addition to his faculty duties, Professor Davis served as the university's general counsel for six years, dean of the law school from 1980 to 1989 and as interim dean from 2005 to 2006. He was also Of Counsel to the Kansas City law firm of Stinson Morrison Hecker from 1989 to 2009. Before joining the law school, Professor Davis was an associate at Arent, Fox, Kintner, Plotkin & Kahn, a Reginald Heber Smith Fellow at the Legal Aid Society of Greater Kansas City, and a legislative assistant to U.S. Representative Louis Stokes (D-OH).

Professor Davis graduated with honors from Kansas State University and earned a J.D. from the University of Michigan Law School where he was the editor of the *Michigan Law Review*. He has served as the chair of the Section's Accreditation Committee and Standards Review Committee, and served on the Finance Committee.

Maureen A. O'Rourke is dean and Michaels Faculty Research Scholar at the Boston University School of Law. Dean O'Rourke

joined the law school faculty in 1993 after working at IBM Corporation, where she handled software licensing issues. At the law school, her scholarship is focused on the intersection of intellectual property law and other fields, such as contract and anti-trust law. Dean O'Rourke is the author of a leading copyright casebook, *Copyright in the Global Information Economy* (Aspen Law & Business). She has published articles in the law reviews of Columbia, Duke, Iowa, and Minnesota, and the technology journals of Berkeley, Harvard, and Boston University. Currently, she is the associate reporter on the American Law Institute's Principles of Software Contracting Project.

Dean O'Rourke graduated *summa cum laude* with a bachelor of science degree from Marist College and earned a J.D. from Yale Law School. In May 2000, she became Boston University's sixth recipient of the Metcalf Award, the school's highest teaching honor. She served as acting dean for two years prior to becoming the dean in 2006.

Raymond C. Pierce is the dean of North Carolina Central University School of Law. Prior to joining the law school in 2005, Dean Pierce was a partner in the national law firm of Baker & Hostetler LLP, representing clients in the steel, energy, construction, and banking businesses. From 1993 to 2000, he served as President Bill Clinton's assistant secretary for civil rights at the U.S. Department of Education, where he managed the enforcement of federal civil rights laws in education and the development of federal civil rights education policy.

Dean Pierce serves on the North Carolina Banking Commission, the North Carolina Chief Justice's Commission on Professionalism,

the American Law Deans Association board of directors, the National Association of Law Placement Foundation, and the executive board of Duke University's Center on Law, Ethics and National Security. He earned a bachelor's degree from Syracuse University where he was admitted into the Sigma Tau Delta English Honorary Society, and earned a J.D. from Case Western Reserve University School of Law.

Law Student Division Member

Bryan M. O'Keefe is a second-year law student at Pennsylvania State University, The Dickinson School of Law, where he is an Andrew G. Curtin Scholar and associate editor of the *Penn State Law Review*. He is the recipient of a CALI Award for earning the highest grade in Legal Research and Writing I and II, Post-Conviction

Process, Labor Law, and Employee Benefits Law. In 2009, Mr. O'Keefe was a judicial intern for the Honorable D. Brooks Smith in the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit in Duncansville, Pennsylvania.

After graduating *summa cum laude* with a B.A. in political communications from George Washington University in 2004, Mr. O'Keefe worked as a research assistant at the American Enterprise Institute, as an associate at Burson Marsteller where he wrote on labor issues, and established an independent consulting firm to provide strategic planning and research on labor issues. In the latter business, Mr. O'Keefe also worked with the Center for College Affordability and Productivity, a Washington, D.C.-based research project examining higher education reform. 🏠

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Fall 2009 Law School Enrollment Statistics Released

The following is a comparison of Fall 2009 and Fall 2008 enrollment at ABA-approved law schools. The data are taken from Part 2 of the ABA Annual Questionnaires from 2008 and 2009. Please note that the law schools in Puerto Rico were not included in the minority enrollment counts.

LAW SCHOOL ENROLLMENT

	2008	2009	Net Change	Percent Change
Total Law School Enrollment	152,033	154,549	2,516	1.02%
Total J.D. Enrollment	142,922	145,239	2,317	1.02%
Total Male J.D. Enrollment	75,954	76,737	783	1.01%
Total Female J.D. Enrollment	66,968	68,502	1,534	1.02%
Total Minority J.D. Enrollment	31,371	32,505	1,134	1.04%

PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL J.D. ENROLLMENT

	2008	2009	Percent Change
Total Male J.D. Enrollment	53.1%	52.8%	-.3%
Total Female J.D. Enrollment	46.9%	47.2%	.3%
Total Minority J.D. Enrollment	21.9%	22.3%	.4%

FIRST YEAR ENROLLMENT

	2008	2009	Net Change	Percent Change
Total First Year Enrollment	49,414	51,646	2,232	1.05%
Total Male First Year Enrollment	26,007	27,341	1,334	1.05%
Total Female First Year Enrollment	23,407	24,305	898	1.04%
Total Minority First Year Enrollment	11,323	11,840	517	1.05%

PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL FIRST YEAR ENROLLMENT

	2008	2009	Percent Change
Total Male First Year Enrollment	53%	53%	0
Total Female First Year Enrollment	47%	47%	0
Total Minority First Year Enrollment	22.9%	22.9%	0

Former Section Chair Receives Opperman Award

The Honorable Randall T. Shepard, Chief Justice of the Indiana Supreme Court, is the recipient of the American Judicature Society's (AJS) sixth annual Dwight D. Opperman Award for Judicial Excellence. In making the announcement, Chief Judge Judith S. Kaye, chair of the selection panel, said, "He is a shining star of the American justice system, the pride of lawyers and judges—especially State Court judges—in and well beyond Indiana, and an example of the success of the great objectives of the American Judicature Society."

Chief Justice Shepard was appointed to the Indiana Supreme Court in 1985 and was named chief justice 18 months later at the age of 38, then the youngest chief justice in the nation. A nationally recognized authority on judicial ethics and legal professionalism, Chief Justice Shepard has written more than 850 majority opinions and taught at Yale Law School, New York University School of Law, and Indiana University School of Law-Indianapolis. Chief Justice Shepard is a graduate of Princeton University and Yale Law School and earned an LL.M. from the University of Virginia School of Law. He served as chair of the Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar from 1998 to 1999.

The AJS created the Opperman Award to honor state trial and appellate judges for distinguished service. It is named for Dwight D. Opperman, former chairman and CEO of West Publishing Company, who currently serves on the AJS Board of Directors as a Distinguished Lifetime Director. 🏠



DWIGHT D. OPPERMAN AWARD FOR JUDICIAL EXCELLENCE

The American Judicature Society created the Opperman Award in honor of Dwight D. Opperman, the former chairman and CEO of West Publishing Company. The Opperman Award is presented annually to a state judge of a trial or appellate court who has had a career of distinguished judicial service.

For more information about the award, visit:

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Thursday, August 5

8:00 a.m. — 4:00 p.m.

Section Office • Mendocino I, 2nd floor

8:30 a.m. — 4:30 p.m.

Council Meeting • Bay View, 25th floor

6:00 p.m. — 9:00 p.m.

Chairperson's Dinner

Friday, August 6

8:00 a.m. — 4:00 p.m.

Section Office • Mendocino I, 2nd floor

8:30 a.m. — 4:30 p.m.

Council Meeting • Bay View, 25th floor

6:30 p.m. — 8:00 p.m.

Kutak Award Reception • Nikko Ballroom, 3rd floor

Saturday, August 7

7:00 a.m. — 1:00 p.m.

Section Office • Mendocino I, 2nd floor

7:30 a.m. — 9:30 a.m.

Deans Breakfast • Golden Gate, 25th floor

10:00 a.m. — 11:00 a.m.

Section Program I: Student Learning Outcomes and Assessment

Nikko Ballroom I, 3rd floor

Legal educators will share practical information about how their institutions address student learning outcomes and assessment.

11:15 a.m.-12:15 pm.

Section Program II: Student Loans and Federal Lending

Nikko Ballroom I, 3rd floor

Join in a discussion of the current state of student loans and the recent changes in federal funding for higher education.

12:30 p.m. — 1 p.m.

Annual Section Business Meeting • Monterey II, 3rd floor

Florida A&M University College of Law Hosts the ABA Law Student Division During the Midyear Meeting

Timothy D. Blevins, Professor, Legal Methods, Florida A&M University College of Law



Members of the judiciary and FAMU faculty who participated in the Law Student Division event included (left to right) Justice Frank Sullivan Jr. (Indiana Supreme Court), Judge Ramona See (Los Angeles Supreme Court), Judge William Palmer (Fifth District Court of Appeals for Florida), Judge Bruce Jacobus (Fifth District Court of Appeals for Florida), Judge C. Alan Lawson (Fifth District Court of Appeals for Florida), Associate Judge Toni Clarke (Prince George's County [Maryland] Circuit Court, 7th Judicial Circuit), and Professor Timothy Blevins (Florida A&M University College of Law).

Nearly 100 members of the Law Student Division (LSD) of the American Bar Association (ABA), guided by Judge Ramona See and Judge Toni E. Clarke, arrived by bus from the ABA's midyear meeting site in Orlando to Florida A&M University's College of Law

(FAMU) to observe live oral arguments in front of the Fifth District Court of Appeals for Florida. The February 4th event involved actual appeals that included an attempted murder case appeal, a breach of oral contract case, and a sexual assault case. Associate Dean Darryll Jones addressed

the law school guests before the arguments took place and reminded the students that they were witnessing the pinnacle of dispute resolution, the peaceful settlement of the dispute.

The appellate panel included Chief Judge C. Alan Lawson, Judge William Palmer, and Judge Bruce

Jacobus, all of the Fifth District Court of Appeals for Florida. Judge Lawson set a relaxed tone in the courtroom but reminded everyone of the gravity of the appellate decision making process. In the attempted murder case and the sexual assault case, the convictions resulted in life in prison sentences. The oral contract case involved \$27,000 in disputed damages.

As each round of oral argument was completed, the panel allowed those in attendance to ask questions directed to appellate procedures and the expectations of the judges in listening to the oral arguments. In addition, the panel and the advocates fielded questions regarding career development, the steps in preparing for the appeal, and the style employed by the advocate during oral argument. Comments made by the judges and the attorneys, following the event, revealed their delight in the nature and depth of the questions asked by the students.

Generally, we find that our students gain a level of insight into the appellate process that they could get only if they went to the court. This event brings



FAMU students and members of the ABA Law Student Division filled the courtroom for live oral arguments in front of the Fifth District Court of Appeals for Florida.

the court to the students and this year we moved the annual event to February to coincide with the ABA's midyear meeting and allow the LSD guests to attend.

Members of FAMU student body served as hosts and ambassadors throughout the event. Questions raised by guests were best handled by current students

at the law school and FAMU's students made their contemporaries feel welcome. LSD members were provided with lunch before re-boarding buses to take them back to the meeting site. Regina Smith from the ABA's Center for Racial and Ethnic Diversity was instrumental in helping to coordinate the event. 🏠

American Bar Foundation Issues Call for Visitors

The American Bar Foundation invites scholars to join the intellectual community of the ABF for the 2010-2011 academic year (August 31, 2010 to June 30, 2011). The ABF encourages national and international scholars on leave or sabbatical to take advantage of the ABF's diverse intellectual community and excellent facilities. For visitors, the ABF offers an office, telephone, and computer, but no stipend. Preference will be given to visitors whose scholarship coincides with the research agenda of the ABF and who will be in residence full-time.

To apply, please send an email with the subject line "Visiting Scholars Program" to Robert Nelson at rnelson@abfn.org, which states:

- (1) the topic on which you are working
- (2) the preferred dates for residence
- (3) the days each week you would expect to be at the ABF.

Please attach a CV. Applications will be considered as space allows. The ABF Appointments Committee will review applications and prospective visitors will be notified in late Spring 2010. 🏠

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1999 to 2000, Professor Walsh was chair of the Section's Accreditation Committee and the Standards Review Committee. As chair of Standards Review from 1991 to 1996, he oversaw the first comprehensive review of the Standards in 20 years. Professor Walsh has also served on the board of trustees of the National Association of Law Placement Foundation, the ABA Central European and Eurasian Initiative Advisory Council, as vice president of the North Carolina Bar Association and a member of its board of governors. Supreme Court Chief Justice John Roberts recently appointed him to a five-year term on the Federal Judicial Center Foundation Board.

Professor Walsh will receive the 2010 Kutak

Award at a reception on Friday evening, August 6, at the Hotel Nikko in San Francisco during the ABA Annual Meeting.

Robert J. Kutak was a founding partner of the national law firm of Kutak Rock, LLP. Kutak, who passed away in 1983, dedicated his career to public service and the improvement of legal education and the legal profession. The Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar and Kutak Rock established the Robert J. Kutak Award in 1984. The award is given annually to an individual who has contributed significantly toward increased cooperation between legal education, the practicing bar, and the judiciary. 🏛️

2010 KUTAK SELECTION COMMITTEE

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JUNE 2010

- 1-4** Law School Development Conference
Jackson Hole, Wyoming
- 11-13** Council Meeting • Washington, D.C.
- 24-25** Accreditation Committee Meeting
Washington, D.C.
- 24-26** Associate Deans Conference
Minneapolis, Minnesota

JULY 2010

- 24-25** Standards Review Committee
Chicago, Illinois
- 24** Site Evaluation Questionnaire Training
Chicago/Rosemont, Illinois

AUGUST 2010

- 5-10** ABA Annual Meeting
San Francisco, California
- 5-6** Council Meeting
- 5** Chair's Dinner
- 6** Kutak Award Reception
- 7** Deans Breakfast
- 7** Annual Section Business Meeting
- 21** Annual Questionnaire Training
Chicago/Rosemont, Illinois

SEPTEMBER 2010

- 25** Site Team Chairs Workshop
Chicago, Illinois
- 29-Oct. 3** Accreditation Committee Meeting
and Retreat • Chicago, Illinois

OCTOBER 2010

- 2-3** Council Retreat • Chicago, Illinois
- 30** Site Evaluators Workshop
Rosemont, Illinois

NOVEMBER 2010

- 7-8** Standards Review Committee • TBD
- 11-13** Accreditation Committee Meeting
Portland, Oregon

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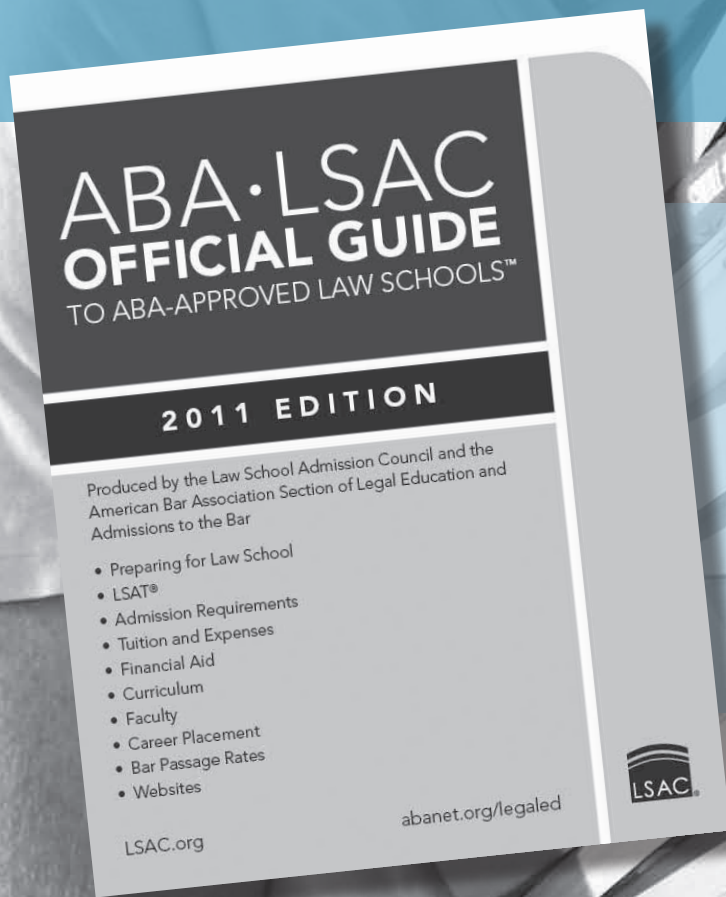
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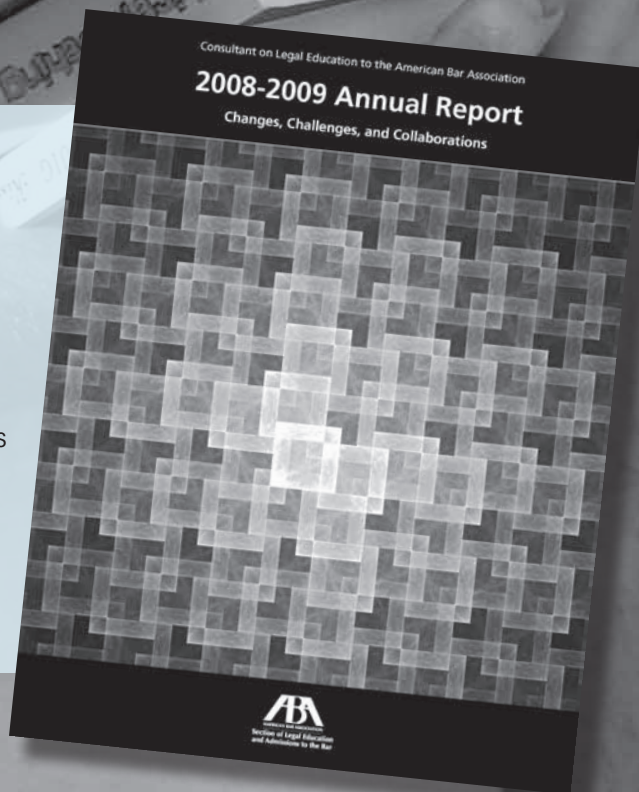
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Proposed Revisions for Section Bylaws

At its March 2010 meeting, the Council reviewed revisions to the Section's Bylaws proposed by the Governance Committee and voted to approve those proposed revisions. These Bylaw revisions will be presented to the American Bar Association Board of Governors meeting, June 3-6, 2010 (as required by ABA Rules) and will be presented to the Section membership for approval at the Section's Business Meeting on August 7, 2010, in San Francisco during the ABA Annual Meeting.

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