

# MSBA Immigration Law Section Annual Report 2010-11

## **Section Membership**

As of June 27, 2011, the Immigration Law Section has 142 members. The Section sustained a 7% decrease in membership since July 1, 2010.

## **Financial Status**

The Immigration Law Section had an account balance of \$4,257.36 as of April 30, 2011.

## **Continuing Legal Education Programs and Social Events**

The Section hosted eight CLE programs in fiscal year 2010-11, totaling 11.5 credits, including 1.5 Ethics and 3.5 Elimination of Bias credits. The Section hosted an end of year dinner and reception in conjunction with their annual meeting and elections.

<b>Program Date</b>	<b>Program Title</b>	<b>CLE Event Code and Credit</b>	<b># of Attendees</b>
10/28/2010	Issue Spotting in Family Immigration Law: Birth, Marriage, and Death (co-sponsored with Children & the Law)	149608/ 1.5cr	35
11/4/2010	Crazy RFEs in the H and L Immigration Categories	149848/ 1.5cr	25
11/5/2010	Immigration Detention and Removal, Updates and Practice Pointers for the Local Immigration Court	150018/ 1.5cr	37
2/28/2011	Gender-Based Persecution as a Basis for Asylum (co-sponsored with New Lawyers and AILA)	153762/ 1.0cr	33
3/28/2011	Breaking Down the Barriers of Communication: Working with non-English Speaking Clients (co-sponsored with AILA)	154501/ 1.5cr EOB	28
3/30/2011	The Intersection Between US Immigration Law and US Export Controls (co-sponsored with AILA)	154500/ 1.0cr	27
5/20/2011	Dealing with Displacement: A Law & Literature CLE (co-sponsored with AILA)	155641/ 2.0cr EOB	8
6/3/2011	Professionalism in Immigration Courts: An interview with our local immigration judges (co-sponsored with AILA)	156372/ 1.5cr Ethics	39
6/8/2011	Immigration Law Section Annual Meeting and Dinner	N/A	23

### **Legislation and Amicus Briefs**

The Immigration Law Section took a section-only legislative position, opposing HF152 a bill that would criminalize the possession of two or more false identification documents.

The Section did not submit any amicus briefs in the 2010-11 term.

### **Annual Meeting and Election Results**

The Immigration Law Section annual meeting and elections were held on June 8, 2011, at the Oak Grill in Minneapolis, MN. The meeting and elections were held in conjunction with a social and dinner. Both were well attended with 23 participants.

The following individuals were elected to serve as Section Officers in 2011-12:

Chair: Elise Bruner  
Vice Chair: George Maxwell  
Treasurer: Veronica Walther  
Secretary: Ruslan Bocancea

The following individuals were elected to serve on the Section's Governing Council from July 1, 2011 - June 30, 2012:

R. Mark Frey, Past Chair  
Vincent Martin  
Tom Harmon  
Sarah Solz Brenes  
Munazza Humayun  
Candelario Arredondo

The following individuals will serve as the Section's MSBA Assembly representative and alternate in 2011-12:

Representative: Elise Bruner  
Alternate: TBD

### **Other Section Accomplishments**

**Submitted By:**  
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