

## **Alternative Dispute Resolution Section Report 2011-2012**

The ADR Section has had a transitional year. Audra Bayer and Kelli Potter were elected as Co-Chairs of the Section. Kelli is currently expecting and on leave. Audra has accepted a position in Kelowna and is leaving the Province effective August 1, 2012. A notice has gone out to the membership requesting nominations for executive positions.

Audra has been in contact with Hilary Linton of Riverdale Mediation with a view to scheduling a bench and a bar CPD on Arbitration in family law matters and Parent Coordination.

Hilary has indicated her availability for the fall. The bench must be approached. Dates must be secured and a budget made and approved. Audra will be working with Hilary on the parent-coordinator piece and will provide further details including Hilary's proposed expenses. The new executive will need to follow up with respect to same.

The Section also held the following events:

Oct 18, 2011	<b>Wine and Cheese with the new Chairperson of the Canadian Human Rights Tribunal (with Aboriginal Section)</b>	<b>10</b>
Dec 12, 2011	<b>Business Meeting &amp; Election of Executive &amp; Current Trends in ADR</b>	<b>5</b>
Feb 8, 2012	<b>Explore Restorative Justice Alternatives (with Criminal Justice)</b>	<b>8</b>
June 25, 2012	<b>Judicially Assisted Dispute Resolution Conference</b>	<b>21</b>

The executive has also proposed that the Section canvass working more closely with other bar sections and perhaps send a questionnaire with respect to what ADR processes are used by which sections of the bar and what further ADR education and resources may be explored and developed.

Finally, the executive has also proposed that the collaborative law association be approached with a view to doing joint education seminars and ADR promotion.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Audra M. Bayer, Co-Chair