

Young Lawyers' Section Report 2010-2011

The Section was involved in the following activities for the year 2010/2011:

1. The annual Wine and Cheese was held October 2010 at Aikins, MacAulay & Thorvaldson. This event was very successful, and many young lawyers, law students and other members of the bar attended.
2. Melissa Burkett, Vice-Chair, attended the Young Lawyers CBC Fall Directorate meeting in Ottawa in November 2010.
3. The Section presented an educational program in December 2010 entitled "Ethical Pitfalls". Mr. Marty Minuk of Aikins MacAulay Thorvaldson was the speaker.
4. The Section presented a session at the January 2011 Mid-Winter conference on Costs. The panel of speakers was comprised of the Honourable Madam Justice Spivak, Mr. Sacha Paul from Thompson Dorfman Sweatman, Mr. Curran McNicol of Fillmore Riley LLP, and Mr. Jim Shaw as moderator.
5. The Section organized a social event involving the attendance at a Manitoba Moose hockey game, and a presentation by President and CEO Mr. Jim Ludlow True North Sports & Entertainment for young lawyers on February 11th.
6. The Section had the annual Young Lawyers Luncheon in April 2011 at the Convention Centre. The Honourable Justice Holly Beard was the keynote speaker and her topic was "Tips for Avoiding Judicial Tantrums".
7. The Section presented an educational seminar in April 2011 on "Drafting of Pleadings and Limitation Periods". The Honorable Master Shane Berthaudin and Mr. Ted Bock from Aikins, MacAulay & Thorvaldson were speakers.
8. In the coming year our committee will be comprised as follows: Melissa Burkett (Chair), Jessica Arnett (Vice Chair), Jason Gisser (Secretary/Treasurer). The committee will be looking for individuals to serve as members at large.

Respectfully Submitted
Robynne Kazina, Chair