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Although the Section has not been very active this year, we have launched a few joint programs with other Sections because much of our work is an extension of both civil litigation, family law and other Sections. Therefore it seems more appropriate to have joint programs with other Sections which will both attract more attendees and also focus on two Sections at the same time. We also have a program scheduled with Elder Law from an alternate dispute resolution perspective on June 28, 2016.

Our Section has been coalescing with all of the other provinces and receiving updated reports from them in order to better formulate programs of relevance. A national meeting is held once a year at which time each of the provincial branches report.

Once again I would appeal to any of our members interested in this most interesting Section which crosses over many of the lines and provides relevant solutions to many facets of the law which in many cases avoids unnecessary litigation which cases can be settled without formal court proceedings.

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