



Left: At the February Happy Hour social: Members of the Section on Taxation Young Tax Lawyers Group enjoy the happy hour social.

### Younger Lawyers Division Accepting New Members

The Younger Lawyers Division is now open to all members who are age 40 or younger or who have been admitted less than 10 years! If you would like to join the Division, please contact the Membership Department at [membership@fedbar.org](mailto:membership@fedbar.org).

### Immigration Law Section

On Jan. 13, the Immigration Law Section held its monthly Immigration Leadership Luncheon Series. The event included over 40 attendees and was held at Carmine's Restaurant in Washington, D.C. The guest speaker for the luncheon was Gilda Brancato, attorney-adviser, Office of Legal Affairs, and directorate of Overseas Citizen Services, Bureau of Consular Affairs, and U.S. Department of State.

The February Immigration Leadership Luncheon, held Feb. 10, included over

50 attendees and was held at Carmine's Restaurant in Washington, D.C. The guest speaker was Steven Lang, program director at the Office of Legal Access Programs and executive officer for Immigration Review and U.S. Department of Justice.

### Transportation and Transportation Security Law Section

On Jan. 10, the Transportation and Transportation Security Law Section held the 2016 Legislative Update at U.S. Department of Transportation Headquarters Conference Center in Washington, D.C.

Attendees heard from key Transportation Committee staffers on the major legislative efforts for 2016. Speakers included: Mike Reynolds, counsel, Senate Commerce; Brian Turbyfill, senior professional staff, Senate Homeland Security & Governmental Affairs Committee; Holly Woodruff-Lyons, deputy general counsel, House Committee on Transportation and

Infrastructure. The talk was moderated by John Wood, attorney, Federal Aviation Administration.

### Section on Taxation

On Feb. 4, 2016, the Section on Taxation hosted a live CLE program and webinar entitled: "The Research Tax Credit Under Section 41: Legislative Update and Guide to Claiming and Defending the Credit." The program featured panelists Warren Payne, senior adviser, Mayer Brown LLP; Alex Sadler, partner, Ivins, Phillips & Barker; and Urvi Doshi Sood, director of tax planning and senior tax counsel, Lockheed Martin Corporation; and was moderated by Christine Hooks of Mayer Brown LLP. Tax attorneys from both private practice and government attended in person and online to hear the panelists' valuable insights on recent legislative changes as well as practical advice on claiming, documenting, and defending the tax credit.

The Section on Taxation's Young Tax Lawyers Group held its third event for the



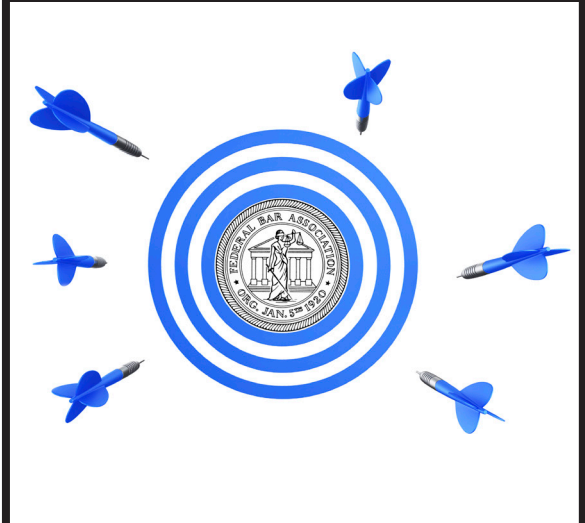
Top: At the February Symposium, panelists led a discussion pertaining to Admiralty Law. Middle: At the February Symposium, panelists prepare for a discussion pertaining to Admiralty Law. Bottom: At the February Symposium, attendees enjoy the networking reception sponsored by Robson Forensic Inc.

2015–16 fiscal year on Feb. 10 with a winter networking event at Penn Quarter Sports Tavern in Washington, D.C. The happy hour brought together a diverse group of tax attorneys from both the public and private sector. The Young Tax Lawyers Group will host a substantive tax panel at PricewaterhouseCooper in April.

## Admiralty Law

The Admiralty Law Section co-sponsored the Admiralty Law Symposium held in San Diego on Feb. 5. The Symposium included four hours of advanced study of admiralty and maritime law. Christopher Hamilton, Sarah Gayer, and Benjamin Allums led a discussion of Vessel Arrest and Attachment. Michael McLeod, Arthur Severance, and Sterling Stires discussed the Limitation of Liability. Scott Bluestein, Charles Naylor, and Kelly Scalise provided an update on Maritime Personal Injury Issues, including recent decisions in Maintenance and Cure. Lastly, Randolph T. Moore, Cory Birnberg, and Sterling Stires examined the Anatomy of a Maritime Product Liability Claim.

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