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Immigration Law Section

The Seventh Annual Immigration Law Seminar took place in Memphis, Tenn., on May 14–15. The seminar was sponsored by the FBA's Immigration Law Section in conjunction with the Memphis Mid-South Chapter of the FBA, the Mid-South Chapter of the American Immigration Lawyers Association, and the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Tennessee through its Court Improvement Fund. Speakers from across the nation came to the seminar to contribute to informative CLE panels. Attendees had the opportunity to attend several social events, including the Memphis in May BBQ Festival.

Section on Taxation

On May 25, the section held a timely event, entitled "*Textron v. United States: Are Tax Accrual Work Papers Protected Work Product?*" The discussion was based on the U.S. Supreme Court's recent denial of *Textron's* petition for certiorari, the First Circuit's en banc decision, and what the future might hold for the protection of tax accrual work papers under the work product doctrine. Panelists included Professor Dennis J. Ventry Jr. from the University of California, Davis; Charles P. Hurley, an attorney at Mayer Brown LLP; and Amar D. Sarwal, general litigation counsel at the U.S. Chamber of Commerce. Edward L. Froelich of Morrison & Foerster LLP served as mod-



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erator. The section would like to thank Morrison & Foerster LLP for hosting this event.

The section hosted the 22nd Annual Insurance Tax Seminar in Washington, D.C., on June 3–4, at which the audience was educated about tax issues relating to insurance companies and insurance products. The seminar allowed the tax professionals from the Internal Revenue Service who administer the specialized federal tax law provisions that apply to these corporations and their products to have an

open dialogue with their counterparts at national and international insurance companies and their attorneys and other tax consultants. The section's seminar is the only one in its field that has large numbers of attendees who are tax professionals, both from government and the private sector; this representation enhances the dialogue that has been a hallmark of this seminar for 22 years. The 2010 seminar featured more than 19 separate sessions that covered the most significant and timely tax topics. In addition, there was a



Younger Lawyers Division: At the Supreme Court Swearing-in Ceremony—(left photo) Attorneys from across the country were admitted to the Supreme Court bar; (right photo) Justice Samuel A. Alito Jr. joined the attorneys and their guests



Transportation & Transportation Security Law Section: At the June panel, titled “Livability: Transportation and the Community”—(l to r) Nancy Kessler, Transportation & Transportation Security Section chair; Gloria M. Shepherd, associate administrator for planning, environment and realty, Federal Highway Administration; Beth Osborne, deputy assistant secretary for transportation policy, U.S. Department of Transportation; and Kate Mattice, director of policy review and development, Federal Transit Administration.

discussion of evolving regulatory issues arising as a result of the current financial crisis. The 23rd Annual Insurance Tax Seminar will be held next year on May 26–27 at the Marriott Wardman Park Hotel in Washington, D.C.

Transportation & Transportation Security Law Section

As part of its lawyers’ luncheon series, the section held a panel entitled “Livability: Transportation and the Community” on June 1 at the U.S. Department of Transportation. Panelists included Beth Osborne, deputy assistant secretary for transportation policy, U.S. Department of Transportation; Gloria M. Shepherd, associate administrator for planning, environment and realty, Federal Highway Administration; and Kate Mattice, director of policy review and development, Federal Transit Administration.

Younger Lawyers Division

The Younger Lawyers Division sponsored its annual Supreme Court Admissions Ceremony at the U.S. Supreme Court, at which 23 lawyers from across the country were sworn into the

Supreme Court bar before eight of the nine justices. After the ceremony, Justice Samuel A. Alito Jr. joined the attorneys and their guests in a nearby conference room for a breakfast reception. Following the reception, attorneys and their guests attended a private lecture on the history and architecture of the Supreme Court. The YLD would like to thank this year’s co-chairs, Matt Moschella and Christian Adams. Anyone interested in becoming a member of the Supreme Court bar should look for details early next year. **TFL**

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