TRANSPORTATION AND TRANSPORTATION SECURITY LAW

On May 14, the Transportation and Transportation Security Law Section held its seminar: “Responding to Ebola and Other Public Health Threats.” The program was held at the Transportation Security Administration office in Arlington, Virginia. Moderators and panelists included: Francine Kerner, chief counsel, Transportation Security Administration; Dr. Kathryn Brinsfield, assistant secretary of health affairs and chief medical officer, Department of Homeland Security; Krystal Jordan, assistant general counsel of health affairs, Department of Homeland Security; Eric Letvin, director for hazard mitigation and risk reduction policy, National Security Council Staff, the White House; Robin Kurz, assistant attorney general, Virginia Office of the Attorney General; Jim Misrahi, senior attorney, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; Steve Venckus, deputy chief, Office of Maritime & International Law, U.S. Coast Guard; David Fuller, professor, Indiana University Maurer School of Law; Michael Isacco, deputy associate general counsel, Department of Homeland Security; Mary Mason, attorney-adviser, International Affairs & Legal Policy Branch, Federal Aviation Administration; Jill Esposito, director of public and diplomatic liaison, visa office, U.S. Department of State (invited); Kristin Dubelier, deputy associate chief counsel for enforcement, Customs and Border Protection; Kelly Wheaton, deputy chief counsel for enforcement, Transportation Security Administration.

YOUNG LAWYERS DIVISION

On May 26, the Young Lawyers Division presented its annual Supreme Court Admission Ceremony in Washington, D.C., at the U.S. Supreme Court. The event featured seven attorneys who joined the bar of the U.S. Supreme Court. The FBA Young Lawyers Division will hold its next ceremony in May 2016.

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lawyers and judges through the Supreme Court’s notable decisions in the past year. Equally entertaining were the dean’s predictions of the Court’s likely decisions in pending cases on the Fourth Amendment, freedom of speech, and same-sex marriage.

This is Dean Chemerinsky's second visit to the New Mexico Chapter. Dean Chemerinsky was introduced by Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals Judge Paul J. Kelly. The dean's unique style and perspective in analyzing the decisions of the Supreme Court make Dean Chemerinsky a favorite among state and federal practitioners. Among the 75 attendees at the presentation were members of the federal judiciary, including Judge Paul J. Kelly and U.S. District Judge James O. Browning. Additionally, several members of New Mexico's state judiciary were in attendance, including New Mexico Supreme Court justices Charles W. Daniels and Richard C. Bosson, along with court of appeals Judge Miles Hanisee and former Judge Celia Foy Castillo.

This was the New Mexico Chapter's first event in Santa Fe. The New Mexico Chapter covers a large geographic area, and the chapter plans to hold future events throughout the state.