Chapter Exchange

THIRD CIRCUIT
Eastern District of Pennsylvania
Panel Discussion of Experiences of EDPA Judges Who Took on Delaware Patent Case
On Jan. 30, 2019, the Eastern District of Pennsylvania (EDPA) Chapter held a CLE event where Delaware Magistrate Judge Christopher J. Burke moderated a panel discussion with EDPA Judges Mitchell S. Goldberg and Mark A. Kearney on the subject of Delaware patent cases that the Pennsylvania judges had taken on. Due to two retirements and the Supreme Court’s decision in TC Heartland, Delaware became even more heavily burdened with patent cases than usual, and Judges Kearney and Goldberg volunteered to take on a number of these cases. The judges shared their experiences, gave insights into practice before them, and posed questions to the crowd about the future of patent litigation in Philadelphia and Delaware.

Eastern District of Pennsylvania
Sports Gambling in the Aftermath of Murphy v. NCAA
On Feb. 4, 2019, the day after Super Bowl LIII, the Eastern District of Pennsylvania Chapter hosted “Sports Gambling in the Aftermath of Murphy v. NCAA” at the office of Drinker Biddle & Reath LLP in Philadelphia. In Murphy, the Supreme Court struck down the Professional and Amateur Sports

Minneapolis Chapter: Photographed are many of the state, federal, and tribal judges in attendance at Minnesota’s 2019 Minority Judge Reception.
Protection Act as a violation of the Tenth Amendment. Since the Court announced that decision, numerous states have initiated plans to allow for state-sponsored sports gambling. Professor Marc Edelman, who teaches sports law at the City University of New York and Fordham Law School, traveled down to Philadelphia to explore the legal questions that arise around sports gambling in the wake of Murphy and raise public policy issues that legislators should consider when proposing new sports gambling laws.

EIGHTH CIRCUIT

Minnesota Chapter

Minority Judge Reception

On March 14, 2019, the U.S. District Court for the District of Minnesota, along with the Minnesota Chapter of the Federal Bar Association’s Diversity Committee and the Minnesota Association of Black Lawyers (MABL), hosted practitioners, judges, students, and staff at the Minneapolis Federal Courthouse for the 2019 Minority Judges Reception to celebrate the ever-growing diversity of the state, federal, and tribal bench in Minnesota. Chief Judge John R. Tunheim and U.S. District Court Judge Wilhelmina M. Wright, along with Minnesota Supreme Court Justice Natalie Hudson and local Affinity Bar leaders, were present to introduce and recognize both the newly appointed and retiring judges within the various Affinity Bar membership in Minnesota. This annual event began in 2013, when then-Chief Judge Michael J. Davis hosted the first reception. At that time, there were 30 minority judges in attendance, with approximately 85 total attendees. This year, 78 minority judges from the federal and state courts, and 34 judges from the tribal courts, were invited, and over 200 people were in attendance.

Eastern District of Pennsylvania: Professor Marc Edelman addresses the Eastern District of Pennsylvania Chapter on the changes to sports gambling laws in the aftermath of the Supreme Court’s Murphy decision.