

NABE-News

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Communications Section Workshop

When: Oct 6 - 9
Where: Minneapolis, MN
"Make Tracks to
Minnesota. . .Where
Creative Ideas Run Wild!"
Click [here](#) to register online.

NABE Board of Directors meeting

When: Nov. 5 - 6
Where: Destin, FL

GR Section Workshop

When: Nov. 10 - 12
Where: Washington, DC

NABE Administration and Finance Section Meeting

When: Feb. 7 - 8
Where: Salt Lake City, UT

NABE/NCBP/NCBF Midyear Meeting

When: Feb. 7 - 8
Where: Salt Lake City, UT

CSE Retreat

When: March 8 - 9, 2005
Where: Chicago, IL

Bar Leadership Institute

When: March 10 -12, 2005
Where: Chicago, IL

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ABA ANNOUNCES LAW DAY THEME:

The American Jury: We the People in Action is the theme for Law Day 2005. The theme recognizes the importance of the American jury system and its role in our democracy. Through our Law Day activities, we can help people understand the jury system and appreciate their role in making it effective. The attached PDF has more information about Law Day and tells you how to get the free Law Day planning guide and other information.

DIVISION FOR BAR SERVICES

We hear a lot about the ABA Division for Bar Services (DBS) and most of us have met one or more of the staff members at some point. . .but how much do we really know about what they do? For "newbies" to the bar association field—and even for us "old-timers"—I thought a brief recap of some of the services and resources available through DBS would be helpful. If you want to learn more, come to the midyear meeting in Salt Lake City where there will be a break-out session on what DBS offers bar associations and leaders!

DBS organizes its activities under four objectives:

- To serve as the primary communication between the ABA and other bar associations;
- To provide staff support and/or liaison for key bar-related organizations;
- To provide education, training, and management support services for bar leaders; and
- To serve as the coordinating agency for ABA services to bar associations.

Among the activities and programs which it supports are:

- Information clearinghouse and library on bar association activity (*Bar Cat* and *Bar Crawler*)
- *Bar Leader* magazine
- MAP programs and other publications
- Bar Leadership Institute (BLI)
- Bar Association Operational Survey program
- Field Service Program
- Consulting Services Program
- Staff support to NABE, the National Conference of Bar Presidents, and the National Conference of Bar Foundations

Through the DBS web site, www.abanet.org/barserv, you can access a wealth of information and even download e-publications, such as the *2004 State and Local Bar Membership Dues and Mandatory Fees Survey*; *2004 ABA Award and Grants Listing*; *Best Projects of 2003*; and *2004 Issues Update*. Just click on "online publications" (there is a fee for downloading.)

If you need to contact someone at DBS, here's the "who" and "how":

Roseanne Lucianek, Director, 312/988-5344, lucianekr@staff.abanet.org (manages DBS and serves as liaison to the ABA Standing Committee on Bar Activities and Services.)

Leticia Spencer, CMP, Finance and Meetings Administrator, 312/988-5347, ldspencer@staff.abanet.org (manages the financial and administrative needs of DBS and serves as the primary meeting planner.)

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Karyn Linn, Field Services Director, 312/988-5350, klinn@staff.abanet.org (oversees the field services program which provides on-site visits to bar associations, and facilitates unified bar network meetings.)

Jennifer Lewin, Field Services Representative, 312/988-5361, lewinj@staff.abanet.org (conducts on-site visits with bar associations and serves as an information resources on administrative, managerial and substantive issues of interest to bar leaders. Facilitates meetings and planning sessions.)

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Jill Werner, NABE Staff Director, 312/988-6008, wernerj@staff.abanet.org (manages NABE and the National Conference of Bar Foundations and provides administrative and liaison support to the boards, sections, committees, and forums of both organizations.)

Maria Johnson, NABE Membership Coordinator, 312/988-5360, johnsonmaria@staff.abanet.org (provides staff support to NABE including dues processing, meeting registration, database management, and administrative assistance to the board, committees, sections, and forums.)

Pam Robinson, Associate Director, 312/988-5345, robinsonp@staff.abanet.org (plans and coordinates the Bar Leadership Institute; oversees staff support to NABE, NCBP, and NCBF; supervises development and marketing of DBS publications.)

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This is a long list, but hopefully, you'll know who to call or email the next time you have a question, request, problem, etc. And when you do, please thank them for their hard work and dedicated efforts to make our lives easier!

A BRIEF GUIDE TO AMERICAN NEWSPAPERS (with apologies in advance to anyone who might be offended!)

- *The Wall Street Journal* is read by the people who run the country.
- *The Washington Post* is read by people who think they run the country.
- *The New York Times* is read by people who think they should run the country and who are very good at crossword puzzles.
- *USA Today* is read by people who think they ought to run the country but don't really understand *The New York Times*. They do, however, like their statistics shown in pie charts.
- *The Los Angeles Times* is read by people who wouldn't mind running the country—if they could find the time—and if they didn't have to leave Southern California to do it.
- *The Boston Globe* is read by people whose parents used to run the country and did a far superior job of it, thank you very much.
- *The New York Daily News* is read by people who aren't too sure who's running the country and don't really care as long as they can get a seat on the train.
- *The New York Post* is read by people who don't care who is running the country as long as they do something really scandalous, preferably while intoxicated.
- *The Miami Herald* is read by people who are running another country but need the baseball scores.
- *The San Francisco Chronicle* is read by people who aren't sure there is a country or that anyone is running it; but if so, they oppose all that they stand for.
- *The National Inquirer* is read by people trapped in line at the grocery store.