

**ADMIRALTY AND MARITIME LAW** Studies all matters of law involving the shipping industry.

**ADR** Studies all matters affecting the field of arbitration, mediation, conciliation and other forms of alternative dispute resolution, including review of current and proposed legislation.

**ANIMAL LAW** Focuses on legal issues affecting animals and persons with an interest in animals, including the intersection of animal law and other practice areas such as criminal, housing, tort, trusts and estates, matrimonial and international law.

**ANTI-TRUST AND TRADE REGULATION** Examines issues relating to antitrust, civil RICO, unfair advertising and unfair competition laws.

**APPELLATE COURTS** Studies the structure and workings of the U.S. Court of Appeals and the Appellate Division of the State of New York.

**ART LAW** The committee addresses important legal issues and developments impacting the art work on a daily basis, including, among others, legal issues relating to the authenticity of art, copyright, moral rights, title, and business transactions.

**ASIAN PRACTICE** Promotes legal and business communications between New York and Asian countries. Members share experiences and insights about Asian law, interact with lawyers in Asia and grow Asia-related practices.

**BANKING** Focuses on legal and regulatory matters pertaining to banking and commercial finance.

**BANKRUPTCY LAW** Concerns itself with procedure and business of the U.S. Bankruptcy Courts, including the practice before bankruptcy judges. It also focuses on the particular problems and issues that arise in bankruptcies. The committee reviews Amendments to the Bankruptcy Code and other changes in rules that would have an impact on consumer debtors.

**CIVIL COURT PRACTICE SECTION** Works closely with the public and private sectors in dealing with all issues related to the Civil Court. *\*Section dues \$25.00*

**CIVIL RIGHTS AND LIBERTIES** Reviews legislation and matters affecting rights guaranteed by the New York State and Federal constitutions.

**COMPLIANCE AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS** The committee brings government, industry, and private practitioners together to discuss legal compliance and regulatory issues affecting the financial services, healthcare, and other regulated industries.

**CONSTRUCTION LAW** The committee's efforts are directed at reducing the potential for costly disputes and inefficiencies in construction, at all stages where lawyers are involved, i.e., from the preparation and award of contracts to dispute resolution. The committee explores cutting-edge legal issues affecting owners, contractors and design professionals in connection with public and private construction projects.

**CORPORATION LAW** Reviews state and federal legislation and all matters pertaining to corporation law.

**CRIMINAL JUSTICE SECTION** Studies and proposes reforms of the criminal justice system. Presents forums on topics of current interest and sponsors training seminars to enhance the caliber of practice in the criminal law field. *\*Section dues \$25.00*

**EDUCATION LAW** The committee explores legal and policy issues relating to public and private schools (pre-school to university level) and related education issues, including those dealing with teachers, administrators and students.

**ELDER LAW** Studies issues pertaining to the legal needs of elderly persons, including Medicaid, Medicare and other health benefits, trusts and estates, guardian-ships, advance directives and consumer rights.

**ELECTION LAW** Monitors proposed changes in the present New York Election Law and makes recommendations on proposed legislation.

**ENTERTAINMENT, MEDIA, INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND SPORTS LAW SECTION** Focuses on legal issues and legislation in the media, communications, entertainment, sports and intellectual property fields. *\*Section dues \$25.00*

**ENVIRONMENTAL LAW** Studies all matters relating to natural resources, environmental issues and conservation efforts, and related legislation.

**ESTATES, TRUSTS AND SURROGATE'S COURT PRACTICE SECTION** The Section's purpose is to provide information and leadership on trial practice and the important issues of civil justice that involve tort and insurance law. Our membership is comprised of the bench and bar and includes plaintiff, defense, corporate, municipal and in-house counsel. Our goals are to address issues confronting our profession, raise the caliber of the practice, and foster friendship among attorneys who often meet as adversaries. *\*Section dues \$25.00*

**FAMILY COURT AND CHILD WELFARE** Concerns itself with legislation and substantive law, the conduct of the judiciary, and general matters regarding the Family Court.

**FEDERAL COURTS** Concerns itself with legislation, procedure and business of the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York, the Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit, and the facilities of the Federal courthouse.

**FOREIGN AND INTERNATIONAL LAW** Reviews legislation and all questions of international law.

**FUTURES AND DERIVATIVES** The Futures and Derivatives Committee, NYCLA's newest addition, will focus on both national and international laws and regulations dealing with regulations of futures, foreign exchange (Forex), derivatives, and capital markets activities for exchanges and over-the-counter markets. The committee looks to engage its members with developments in laws relating to the futures and derivatives markets, in addition to establishing and maintaining connections with industry leaders and governmental representatives.

**HEALTH LAW** The committee concerns itself with developments in all aspects of health law, including patients' rights, medical malpractice, medical insurance, and private and government health benefit plans.

**IMMIGRATION AND NATIONALITY** Concerns itself with legislation, regulations and practice issues.

**IN-HOUSE/OUTSIDE COUNSEL** Provides a forum in which in-house counsel from businesses and not-for-profit organizations can interact with law firm practitioners. The focus of the group will be the dissemination and sharing of information and best practices, as well as the discussion of corporate issues, litigation strategies, legislative agendas, and regulatory and policy issues that impact in-house lawyers.

**INSURANCE LAW** The committee considers legislation, decisions, and practices in the insurance field, aids those practicing law involving insurance issues, and monitors developments regarding lawyers' professional liability insurance.

**JUDICIAL SECTION (Judicial Members Only)** Provides the Association and its committees with important input from members of the judiciary. The Section is open only to current and former members of the judiciary.

**LABOR RELATIONS AND EMPLOYMENT LAW** Invites guest speakers to discuss a wide variety of labor and employment issues and organizes CLE programs. The focus depends on the meeting and the topic, but includes both management and labor/employee issues. Membership is open to both sides of the bar. Recent law grads and law students are encouraged to join and attend meetings.

**LAW AND LITERATURE** Discusses law and literature issues of interest in books, plays, short stories and poems.

**LAW AND TECHNOLOGY** Addresses issues such as privacy, security, biometrics, jurisdiction, B2B, auctions, franchising, e-contracting, and ubiquitous molecular computing within the borderless environment of cyberspace.

**LAW-RELATED EDUCATION** Formulates and implements programs to acquaint students and the community with the legal and judicial system.

**LAWYERS IN TRANSITION** The Committee's principal purpose is to foster collegiality, provide educational programs and enhance the quality of life among more experienced, senior members of the Bar.

**LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL AND TRANSGENDER ISSUES IN THE LAW** Focuses on issues relating to lesbians, gays, bisexuals and transgender persons in the legal profession and in society.

**MATRIMONIAL LAW SECTION** Works on projects designed to improve the law and the administration of justice in the matrimonial law area. *\*Section dues \$25.00*

**MINORITIES AND THE LAW** Examines all issues of relevance to minority attorneys and law students. Oversees the Minority Judicial Internship Program of the Association.

**NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS** Concerns itself with the legal questions raised by the operation and formation of non-profit organizations, as well as matters related to the funding of those organizations.

**PROFESSIONAL ETHICS** Responds to inquiries from lawyers with respect to the ethical propriety of their own proposed conduct

**PROFESSIONALISM AND PROFESSIONAL DISCIPLINE** Studies all matters affecting professional licensing and discipline in all of the professions, including the standards for adjudging professional misconduct and available mechanisms for improving professional conduct.

**REAL PROPERTY LAW SECTION** Designed for attorneys involved with any aspect of real estate law. *\*Section dues \$25.00*

**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGES** Reviews recent developments in the regulation of securities both state and federal.

**SOLO AND SMALL FIRM PRACTICE** Supports solo and small firm practitioners through improving the quality of the professional lives of its members; advising practitioners about programs and available services; sponsoring free evening seminars; and maintaining a mentoring program to assist less experienced practitioners.

**SUPREME COURT** Reviews legislation and recommends action regarding procedure, business and facilities of the Supreme Court.

**TAXATION** Proposes and reviews legislation on questions pertaining to federal, state and municipal taxation.

**TORT LAW SECTION** Designed to attract both plaintiffs' and defendants' lawyers who are involved in any tort-related practice. \**Section dues \$25.00*

**WOMEN IN THE LAW** The committee works to assure equal rights and opportunities for women, issues reports and comments on government policies and legislation, and sponsors forums on topics of current concern.

**YOUNG LAWYERS' SECTION** Seeks to facilitate the transition of law students, law graduates and newly admitted attorneys into the profession by providing a comfortable forum for the exchange of ideas. \**Section dues \$10.00*