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ADR Section

Notes from the Chair
November 8, 2005

ADR Institute a Success – more than 200 attended the Eighth annual ADR Institute on October 29, 2005

Section Membership at 287 – invite a friend; note that more than three times the Section membership identifies itself as providing ADR services on MSBA survey

MSBA Planning Policy Track Programming – Section Executive Council has expressed an interest in participating in a Policy Track at the MSBA Convention in June, 2006, in Brainerd. We have requested additional information and have briefly discussed collaboration with other Sections or groups and topics which reflect policy issues in ADR

Section Description for Bench and Bar to be Revised – Section Executive Council has agreed to review the description published annually in the Bench and Bar Directory to make joining as appealing as possible

WMCL to Host National Arbitration Competition – pick up a hand-out for volunteer arbitrator opportunity November 18-20

Section Executive Council Gathering Information re Katrina Relief - MSBA is supporting Katrina Relief and has encouraged individual as well as Section contributions. The Section Executive Council is gathering information about local efforts such as Legal Assistance for victims of the disaster as well as information concerning needs in Community Mediation Centers in the Gulf States.

HELP WANTED: There are three important positions open for service to the Section. They include the Executive Council positions of Vice Chair for Legislation and Secretary. There also is an opening for Ethics and Standards Committee Chair. This is a great way to get to know your colleagues and to serve your professional community. Please email or call Jan Frankman for further information at frank040@umn.edu or 651 209 1882.