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## MSBA BANKRUPTCY SECTION

### Minutes of Section Meeting on February 16, 2010

A meeting of the MSBA Bankruptcy Section was held on February 16, 2010. Those in attendance are listed above.

Chair Eric Sherburne called the meeting to order at approximately 6:00 p.m. A motion to approve the Minutes of the January 2010 meeting was made and approved by a voice vote.

Old Business: Eric announced that in advance of the March Section Meeting, a redline version of the proposed changes to the Section's bylaws will be

circulated. The section was asked to provide any comments to the proposed changes to Eric.

New Business: Eric announced that Kieran's is moving to Block E and the Section Meetings will be moving to Kieran's new location. Because of the move and to Block E, Kieran's buildout may not be finished by the next regularly scheduled meeting time. Therefore, the March Section Meeting date will be announced later (as of the writing of the Minutes it is likely that Tuesday, March 30<sup>th</sup> will be next meeting date).

Eric announced that the MSBA and the Minnesota Association of Black Lawyers have collaborated to establish a Haiti Earthquake Relief Fund. Members were encouraged to visit [www.mnb.org](http://www.mnb.org) if they have interest in donating to the newly created fund.

Eric congratulated Mark Carter for his selection to receive the Hennepin County Bar Association Distinguished Service Award for his years of services through VLN, including persons needing bankruptcy assistance.

Eric announced that the Section is preparing to roll out a new Monthly Mentoring Program in collaboration with the New Lawyers Section. The program has been developed through the efforts of Kathleen Harrell-Latham, Mark Meeceau, and Colin Krezinger. Kathleen has been invited to address the Section at the March meeting.

Clint Cutler reported that the Bankruptcy Practice Committee has been involved in commenting on the proposed changes to the Minnesota Rules of Profession Conduct as it relates to the refundability of fees. The Practice Committee will continue to work with the drafters of the proposed rule change to insure that bankruptcy practitioners' concerns are properly addressed.

Report from the Court: None.

Report from the U.S. Trustee: None.

Pro Bono Committee Report: Judge Kishel spoke about the need for participation from the Section members in the various opportunities to do pro bono work in the bankruptcy practice. Options included the letters writing program through VLN, bankruptcy screening program and filings through VLN, the Bankruptcy Advice Clinic in Minneapolis and St. Paul, SMRLS Emergency Bankruptcy Filings for Section 8 Participants, and other programs. Surveys and sign-up sheets were handed out during Judge Kishel's discussions of pro bono opportunities.

Bankruptcy Bulletin: N/A

Treasurer's Report: David Galle reported that the Section is solvent.

Other Report:

Educational Program:

Jessica McKinney introduced Thomas E Johnson from the Office of Chapter 13 Trustee to lead a panel discussion regarding lien stripping in Chapter 13 cases and various strategies in dealing with junior mortgage liens in Chapter 13 cases. The panelist were Brian F Kidwell, Reiter & Schiller PA; Timothy C Theisen, Timothy Casey Theisen PA; Lawrence P Zielke, Shapiro & Zielke LLP; and Ronald J Lundquist, Lundquist Law Office.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:10 p.m.

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