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MSBA PROBATE & TRUST LAW SECTION COUNCIL MEETING

November 18, 2010

Meeting held at MSBA Offices
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Section Council Meeting

Members Present: Andrea Breckner, Peter Hatinen, Susan Link, Sonny Miller, Sheryl Morrison, Thomas Rauenhorst, Ivory Umanah, and Thomas Woessner, and via telephone: Andrew Baese, Michael Cowles, JoEllen Doebbert, Scott Nelson, and Joseph Thiags

Others Present: Chad Bigalke, Rick Bunin, Richard Hawke, Jennifer Santini, and Tamara Peterson

1. **Meeting called to order:** 3:30 p.m.
2. **Treasurer's Report:** Discussed \$5,500 payment for lobbyist's costs. Approved October 31, 2010 report.
3. **Education Committee:** The 2011 Probate & Trust Law Section Conference is set for June 6 and 7 at the St. Paul River Centre. A planning meeting was held on October 13th to discuss speakers and the conference. Ron Aucutt is one of the national speakers that will be speaking at the conference.

The MSBA will be presenting a CLE titled "A View from the Probate Bench" on November 19, 2010 with Judge Jay M. Quam, Referee George Borer, and Referee Dean M. Maas.

4. **Legislation Committee:** Peter Hatinen reported on proposed legislation that amends the Uniform Disclaimer Act. Andrea Breckner provided an update with respect to the Uniform Trust Code.
5. **Federal Taxation Committee:** A copy of Richard Hawke's report is attached.
6. **Consumer Protection/Publications Committee:** No report.
7. **Ethics and Professional Responsibility Committee:** Tamara Peterson was welcomed as the new chair of the committee. No report this month.
8. **Greater Minnesota Involvement Committee:** No report.
9. **Technology Committee:** Rick Bunin reported on continuing work to the website.

10. **Litigation Committee:** No report.
11. **Wills for Heroes Committee:** Susan Link reported that we are scheduled through February 2014. We are working on details to have this work qualify for pro bono credit.
12. **Newsletter Committee:** Chad Bigalke reported that the newsletter should be ready to be sent in the next week.
13. **Old Business:** None.
14. **New Business:** December 16, 2010 meeting is cancelled. Next meeting is January 20, 2011.
15. **General Meeting adjourned:** 3:54 p.m.