

**NALP LAWYER PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SECTION**  
**Quarterly Report to the Board of Directors**  
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**Kris Butler, Holland & Knight LLP, Section Chair**

**SUMMARY**

The third quarter of the 2011-2012 NALP year had a nice surprise for our section, and some advance preparation and planning for 2012-2013. Dykema's Justine Maury set up and posted the initial entry to a blog for the Lawyer PD Section, and we've put in place a pre-conference RFP mechanism to prepare for the 2013 annual education conference and PDI.

**Updates from Liaisons**

Liaison to Diversity Section: Alexandra Mai (newly to DLA Piper) had nothing new to report this quarter.

Liaison to the NALP Board: Stacey Kielbasa did not have anything new to report.

**WORK GROUPS**

After talking with the incoming NALP President, it has been assured that the work of the Lawyer/Law Student Professional Development Collaboration regarding experiential learning will continue with the next set of leaders. Currently, Michele Bendekovic, Section Vice Chair (Step toe & Johnson) serves as our section's vice chair for this work group; Kristine Bridges is the other vice-chair from the Law School PD section. Meg Reuter is also a key person involved in this collaboration. The group is aiming for 2013 to work with the NALP Foundation to circulate another survey (part II) that will include input from the public interest sector and law firm hiring partners and recruiters.

**2013 RFP PROCESS**

Mary Beal, Justine Maury, and myself are working to put the 2013 annual conference and PDI conference RFP process in place over the next couple of weeks. Our goal is to have the RFPs in place before the Section meeting at the 2012 Austin conference so the group can vet them as a whole.

**ENVIRONMENTAL SCANNING**

Justine Maury from Dykema has launched the new Lawyer PD section blog meant to feature trends and developments in the PD world. She took it from an idea, created it, put it through NALP vetting, and launched it onto the intranet.

In conclusion, the Lawyer Professional Development Section thanks NALP for its ongoing support and expertise, and welcomes any feedback from the Board of Directors.