



MEMORANDUM

TO: Amy Hancock
Board Liaison, Lawyer Professional Development Section

FROM: Kay Nash
Lawyer Professional Development Section Chair

DATE: March 5, 2009

RE: Final Lawyer Professional Development Section Status Report

This memo summarizes the activities of the Lawyer Professional Development Section for the period January 2009 through March 2009 and also represents the final board report for the NALP year.

Bulletin Articles

The section will publish a total of five *Bulletin* articles for 2008-2009. A list of authors and topics are below:

- Kris Butler, *Career Development Best Practices* -- August 2008 issue
- Kay Nash and Jennifer Bentzen, *Professional Development on the Road to Partnership* -- November 2008 issue
- David Diamond and Kay Nash, *We Are In This Together: Beginning a Law School and Law Firm Professional Development Dialogue* -- February 2009 issue
- Jennifer Aleman, *Introducing Professional Development as a Recruitment Tool During the Summer Program* – March 2009 issue
- Cindy Lindsley/Michele Bendekovic, *Big Transitions: Moving Offices, What to Keep in Mind* – to be published in the April 2009 issue

Annual Education Conference Programming

The section put forth 11 RFPs for the 2009 Annual Education Conference and 8 were selected. A list of topics and presenters is provided below.

RFP Topic	Speaker
Can It Be Done? Creating a Great Place for Women Lawyers	Ida Abbott, Patricia Gillette
Leadership From Every Angle: Identifying Leaders and Developing Leaders	Sue Manch, Kathleen Post
How to Turn Lawyers into Engaging Presenters in One Easy Lesson	Valerie Fitch
The Mess Called MCLE: Tips and Best Practices for Managing CLE Rules and Regulations at Your Firm	Margaret Halewski, Olivia Freeman
De-Mystifying Upward Feedback and 360 Degree Reviews	Tim Leishman, Diane Costigan
We Are In This Together: Beginning a Collaborative Legal Employer and Law School Professional Development Dialogue	David Diamond, Kay Nash
Outplacement in a Difficult Economy: Effective Strategies for Minimizing the Pain	Carol Kanarek
The Role of Professional Development in Law Firm Risk Management	Marian Lee

Work Groups

We are pleased to report that our work groups accomplished the goals set forth by the board for this year. A summary for each work group is provided in the attached document.

Conclusion

Please let me know if you have any additional questions regarding the information above. I believe the section has had a very productive year and the members look forward to new projects in 2009-2010.