

LAWYER PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT REPORT – 10/19/07 (Cindy Lindsley)

Lawyer Professional Development Best Practices Work Group: Jeanne Picht, Chair
(members: Michele Bendekovic, Tom Grewe, Kay Nash and Stewart Whittingham)

- Schedule of Conference Calls to be circulated
- Topics to be circulated
- Summary from LDI – consider for additional topics
- REQUEST for additional volunteers

Considering a Work Group on Professional Development Structure/Department

NALP Bulletin Articles (accepted):

- Benchmarks and Competencies – Sari Fried-Fiori and Kay Nash - April 2008
- Growing Leaders Using 360-Degree Feedback – Part 1: Seeking New Insights – Cynthia Pladziewicz and Heather Jessel – November 2007
- Growing Leaders Using 360-Degree Feedback – Part 2: Converting Insight into Action – Cynthia Pladziewicz and Heather Jessel – December 2007
- Retaining Associates through Everyday Relationships (i.e. committee involvement, communication from management, including spouses in events) – Michele Bendekovic and Jeanne Picht – January 2008
- Strategic Management – How to Advance your Professional Development Career – PDI - Jennifer Queen and Amy Hancock- Fall of 2007 (in order to build interest in the program) – October 2007
- Using Pro Bono as a Training Tool – JeanMarie Campbell and Steven Schulman – determined NOT to move forward with this article due to the departure of JeanMarie from a law firm position and a similar article “Intersection of Pro Bono and Professional Development: a Win-Win for Associates” by Kristy Weathers, Professional Development Director, Sutherland Asbill & Brennan – October 2008
- Work Assignment Systems – author to be determined – February 2008

ABA Book Review - *The Law Firm Associate's Guide to Personal Marketing and Selling Skills* and the companion *Trainer's Manual* – Kris Butler volunteered to review the books on behalf of the section.

Use of the NALP Discussion List:

- Post summary of meetings
- Post the quarterly Section Reports to NALP Board