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RE: ABA Annual Meeting, July 30-August 2, 2009

Dear Law School Dean:

The American Bar Association Law Student Division meets each year in August for the ABA Annual Meeting. The Division's policy-making body, the Assembly—comprised of the SBA President and ABA School Representative of each ABA-approved law school, or their proxies—convenes annually at the Annual Meeting to review and to vote on policy issues affecting law students, legal education and the legal profession. At this meeting, the Assembly delegates also elect the Division's three delegates to the ABA House of Delegates, and the SBA Presidents also elect the Division's Vice Chair-SBA.

We respectfully encourage you to support the attendance of your school's SBA President and ABA Law Student Division Representative at the ABA Annual Meeting. In addition to representing your school in the Assembly, the SBA Presidents and ABA Law Student Division Representatives will attend training and leadership workshops designed to bolster their leadership skills to aid them in the coming year and to exchange best practices with other law school leaders. We invite you to review the relevant programs at www.abanet.org/lzd/annual.

We also hope that you will encourage all interested students from your law school to join fellow law students and lawyers from across the country at the Annual Meeting, so they may experience the depth of the profession first-hand. In addition to representing and participating in Law Student Division activities, students will have the opportunity to participate in more than 2,500 meetings, educational programs and special events.

The Law Student Division's portion of the ABA Annual Meeting will take place July 30-August 2, 2009 at the Chicago Marriott Hotel. The registration fee for law students to attend the Annual Meeting is \$75 (\$100 for non-members, which includes ABA membership). This is a substantial discount as compared to the regular member fee \$595. In addition, law students are provided with a complimentary "All Access to CLE badge" to attend substantive programming at no additional charge.

We encourage you to support the attendance of your SBA President and ABA Law Student Division Representative, as well as other school representatives, at the ABA Annual Meeting. We know you will agree that this is an excellent opportunity for law students to become involved in the American Bar Association and the profession as a whole.

Please direct any questions to Peggy Pissarrecek at 312.988.5621 or pissarrm@staff.abanet.org.

We look forward to seeing you in Chicago.

Sincerely,

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