

Message from the Chair



Abraham Lincoln reminds us that our democracy is not about one vote every four years, it is about actions we each take every single day. As a member of this Section's Election Law and Government Affairs Committee it is important that in the aftermath of this contentious election period—no matter how you feel about its outcome—

that you take concrete action on issues that are important to you. What is vitally important is that the rule of law—as articulated in our constitutions, federal and state; our statutes, federal and state; and in our common law precedent—remains the cornerstone of our democracy. We as lawyers, in particular general practitioners, will continue to be called upon to ensure that the law is enforced in the “courts of justice.”

We are currently looking for members to participate in our “Lessons Learned” Series. Participants will be asked to speak about lessons they have learned as prac-

“Let reverence for the laws, be breathed by every American mother, to the lisping babe, that prattles on her lap—let it be taught in schools, in seminaries, and in colleges; let it be written in Primmers, spelling books, and in Almanacs; let it be preached from the pulpit, proclaimed in legislative halls, and enforced in courts of justice.”

—Abraham Lincoln

ticing attorneys. Our Section's membership encompasses a broad range of practice areas: criminal law, accident and personal injury law, bankruptcy, business law, family law, estate planning, insurance law, litigation, and real estate. We better than most Sections stand prepared to offer our members the greatest range of topics to discuss as part of our lessons learned. The strategic planning committee is currently reviewing the results of the GP Section's member survey. I encourage you to share any additional ideas and thoughts that can help our Section continue to grow. Your continued involvement in the Section will assist us in our efforts to enhance the competence and skills of lawyers engaged in the general practice of law. Please contact me at jojesq@gmail.com if you are interested in participating in the “Lessons Learned” Series or would like to suggest a CLE topic of interest.

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