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Message from the Chair

I am honored and excited to be Chair of the Corporate Counsel Section. I have been active with the Corporate Counsel Section for over 5 years now and I couldn't ask to be a part of a more active, vibrant and caring community.

Over 5 years ago I was asked to be on a panel at the Corporate Counsel Institute and speak about social media and related emerging legal issues. I have been an active member of the Section since.

Through the Corporate Counsel Section, I have seen programs like the Kenneth G. Standard Internship and Diversity programs flourish as well as timely, innovative CLEs and dedication to Pro Bono Initiatives.

This year, I would like to focus my efforts on Pathway to the Profession. Some of us may have come into the legal profession as a second career. Others, like myself, studied overseas and came to the United States to practice. While not lacking in its challenges and struggles, I also think there is a determination and focus that is found in those that find themselves in the profession by not-so-conventional paths. I feel that being active in bar associations like NYSBA and others has helped me further myself both personally and professionally. This is why I would like to focus on Pathway to the Profession since it is a program dedicated to cultivating the next generation of lawyers by getting law students involved with NYSBA and its Sections prior to graduation.

Also, being a tech-oriented attorney both by practice and personally, I would like to help advance the Corporate Counsel Section's and NYSBA's technology efforts to make the Section, CLE and other initiatives more accessible to the legal community at large. I have already seen this impact having served on NYSBA's Electronic Communication Committee, through which we rolled out the NYSBA website you see today.

Please don't hesitate to contact me and reach out to the Section. We are always happy to hear suggestions, feedback, etc. We look forward to your involvement and to bringing Section members the programs and membership benefits they desire.

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