

**MINUTES OF ANNUAL MEETING OF
THE REAL PROPERTY SECTION
FRIDAY, JUNE 13, 2008**

The Annual Meeting of the Real Property Section of the MSBA was held on Friday, June 13, 2008 at the Clarion Inn in Ocean City, Maryland. There were approximately 80 members of the Real Property Section in attendance.

1. Call to Order – Mr. Swanenburg called the business meeting to order at 8:15 a.m. and welcomed the attendees.
2. Task Force to Study Title Industry - Mr. Swanenburg discussed the necessary appointment by the Maryland State Bar Association of a practicing real estate attorney familiar with title insurance settlements, but not licensed as a title producer, to the Commission to Study the Title Industry as created by SB 61 this past legislative session. Mr. Rieger nominated Patrick Martyn to serve as the Bar Association representative, which nomination was seconded by Mr. Freishtat. Upon vote of attendees, Mr. Martin was named as the Bar Association representative to this Commission.
3. Passing of Members - Mr. Swanenburg noted the passing of Real Property Section members Neil Tabor, Lawrence Raber and Neil Hoffberg.
4. Presentation and Election of Officers and Section Council Members - Mrs. O'Connor presented the slate of nominated Officers and Members of the Real Property Section Council for the 2008-09 year. The slate was approved by vote of the membership. The list of newly elected Section Council Officers and Members is attached to these Minutes.
5. Presentation to Outgoing Chair - Mrs. O'Connor spoke of the service that Mr. Swanenburg has provided to the Section Council over the past year as the Chair of the Real Property Section, and presented him with a token in recognition and thanks for his service.
6. Distinguished Practitioner - Ms. Lacoste introduced the Maryland Real Property Distinguished Practitioner of the Year for 2008, Mr. Robert Cannon, and presented him with the Award. Mr. Cannon spoke in acceptance of the Award.
7. Educational Program - Mr. Severn introduced the educational portion of the Annual Meeting, which began at approximately 8:35 a.m.
 - (a) Alexander Gordon, IV, spoke regarding the new Maryland foreclosure laws and practice.
 - (b) Stuart D. Kaplow spoke regarding the green buildings initiatives, and new local and state laws applicable to the green movement.
 - (c) Honorable Dale R. Cathell spoke regarding Terrapin Run, and other recent

Court decisions in the land use arena.

(d) Lila Cyr spoke regarding recent legislative enactments from the Maryland General Assembly, enacted in both the special session in late 2007 and the regular session in Spring 2008.

The educational portion was completed at approximately 10:30 a.m. The next annual meeting of the Real Property Section will be held on a date to be determined during the Annual Meeting of the Maryland State Bar Association in June, 2009.

Respectfully submitted,

Theresa B. Shea,
Secretary, 2007-08

**OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE REAL PROPERTY SECTION COUNCIL,
MARYLAND STATE BAR ASSOCIATION,
ELECTED JUNE 13, 2008**

OFFICERS

Chair*:	Hilary J. O'Connor
Vice-Chair:	Theresa Burian Shea
Secretary:	Ronald S. Deutsch

*Consistent with the provisions of Section 402 of the Bylaws, the current Vice Chair is shown to have automatically succeeded to the office of the Chair upon the expiration of the term of the current Chair.

COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Legislative Committee:	Lila G. Shapiro Cyr
Real Estate Discussion Group:	Richard A. Froehlinger III

**TO SERVE AS MEMBERS-AT-LARGE FOR A
TWO-YEAR TERM ENDING JUNE 2010**

Mark Dopkin	Baltimore City
Emerson L. Dorsey, Jr.	Baltimore City
Nicole M. Lacoste	Baltimore City
Edward V. Lee, III	Baltimore City
Lucinda Motsko	Howard County
Richard K. Reed	Prince George's County
J. Paul Rieger	Baltimore City
David A. Severn	Frederick County
Sheila Brooks-Tahir	Baltimore City

The following Members-At-Large of the Section Council shall continue to serve for the remainder of the two-year term ending June 2009.

Sara H. Arthur	Anne Arundel County
Marc B. Bergoffen	Montgomery County
Cynthia A. Berman	Baltimore City
Guy E. Flynn	Baltimore City
Searle E. Mitnick	Baltimore City

The Immediate Past Chair, Michael S. Swanenburg, and the Penultimate Past Chair, Tracey E. Skinner, will serve as Honorary Members of the Section Council pursuant to Section 3.2 of the Section's bylaws.