QUARTERLY REPORT, NALP LL.M. Section

To: NALP Executive Board

From: Jessica Richman, Chair, LL.M. Section

Re: Quarterly Report

Date: October 30, 2007

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

After stepping in as the Chair for the Section this year, I’m working on getting up to speed. As of now, I have a good sense of the topics that the Section is working on, and issues/questions to be resolved going forward.

MAJOR ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Our phone conference had many participants, some law firm representatives, and a good exchange of ideas. Additionally, it appears that we have volunteers for the NAL Foundation work on the International Qualification Directory - I just need to talk to NALP Foundation representatives to see where we are in the process.

STATUS AND ACTIVITIES

Section Conference Call

On October 15, 2007, the Section conducted its first conference call of the year. This conference call provided a status report on the article and conference proposals that had been submitted to NALP, a reminder of upcoming programs and meetings at the NALP Annual Education Conference, a chance to recap previous discussions of the Section from over the summer, and before I became involved again (including the International Qualifications Directory) and provided a forum to discuss and share ideas for programming.

Section Discussions via Email/ListServ

There is minimal use of the ListServ. It is still my hope that Section members will increasingly use the ListServ throughout the year rather than mainly discussing LL.M. issues on the quarterly conference calls.

Annual Education Conference RFPs

The LL.M. Section submitted one proposal to NALP for the 2008 Annual Education Conference to be held in Toronto, Ontario.

The proposal is to focus on opportunities for LL.M.s from an employer’s perspective to try to make our programs interesting for the law firm side of NALP, in addition to the law school members. This proposal has been accepted.

Bulletin Proposals
The Section has put forward several proposed publications for the Bulletin. The authors of the articles have either already submitted them for publication, or are aware of the deadlines related to their upcoming submissions.

**STRATEGIC GOALS AND CHALLENGES FOR THE UPCOMING QUARTER**

I am hoping to get a better handle of what is going on with the Section in the upcoming months. Of high priority for the Section is the International Qualifications Directory, and I’ll working with the NALP Foundation to coordinate our volunteers with their needs in a timely manner.