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NALP Board of Directors

FROM: Sheri Askinazi, Chair, Legal Employer Alumni Relations Section

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RE: Legal Employer Alumni Relations Section Quarterly Report

### **Vice Chairs**

Abby Raanan, Alumni Relations Manager at Drinker Biddle & Reath, and Courtney Mebane, Alumni Relations Manager at Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft, serve as vice chairs and assist with items such as articles for the NALP Bulletin, creating an online resource guide, and environmental scanning.

### **Conference Calls**

Thursday, June 20 at 2:00 – 3:00 p.m. ET  
Tuesday, September 17 at 2:00 – 3:00 p.m. ET  
Wednesday, January 15 at 2:00 – 3:00 p.m. ET  
Tuesday, March 4 at 2:00 – 3:00 p.m. ET

### **Report on March 4 Conference Call:**

We held our fourth of four conference calls on March 4. There were about 15 participants. I mentioned that registration was open for the 2014 Annual Education Conference in Seattle, told everyone the date and time of the section meeting during the conference, and requested ideas for a session at the 2014 Professional Development Institute. I also told everyone that I have accepted a second term as chair of the section.

Agenda items for our call included the discontinuation of the SelectMinds platform and how firms are handling this, special programming for retired partners, alumni awards, and alumni mentoring programs.

After the annual conference, I will circulate dates/times for the 2014/2015 quarterly conference calls.

### **Other Items**

As I mentioned, I have agreed to serve a second term as chair of this section. I already started discussions with section members who might be interested in taking on this role next year. At the end of the year, I hope to have at least one name to put forward for the next chair of this section.

### **Next Steps**

- 1) Prepare for open house, section meeting and alumni relations session at the annual conference
- 2) Submit an RFP on behalf of the section for the 2014 PDI by March 28
- 3) Circulate quarterly conference call dates/times after the annual conference
- 4) Continue environmental scanning