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CHICAGO BAR FORMS NEW COMMITTEES **ON ELECTRONIC DISCOVERY AND GAMING LAW**

CHICAGO, ILL. (November 3, 2011)— The Chicago Bar Association (CBA) Board of Managers voted unanimously, at its regular Board meeting October 31, to establish two new committees: the Gaming Law Committee and the Electronic Discovery Committee. The creation of these new committees will bring the total number of practice area committees of The CBA to 61. Membership will be open to all CBA members. The Electronic Discovery committee will meet monthly and the Gaming Law Committee will meet quarterly at The CBA building at 321 S. Plymouth Court, Chicago.

Electronic Discovery

The new committee is the idea of CBA member Chad W. Riley of O'Rourke & Moody, Chicago. The issues facing litigators who do discovery on electronically stored information (ESI) range from method, to privacy issues, to technology. Riley, who will chair the new committee said, "E-discovery greatly interests me and increasingly affects my practice as a commercial litigator. It's a rapidly developing area of practice I think every legal practitioner should at least try to keep up with."

Riley points out the Chicago legal community has a wealth of e-discovery experts and is home to the Seventh Circuit E-Discovery Pilot Program (www.7thcircuitbar.org). "Our committee will recruit not only legal practitioners to discuss the growing body of e-discovery law, but also legal consultants who can explain the technology driving and managing e-discovery and how to reduce costs and create efficiencies."

Gaming Law

CBA members Neal B. McQueeney, a partner at Sanchez Daniels & Hoffman, LLP, and Donna B. More, President of More Law Group, P.C., along with Paul Jenson, a partner at Shesky & Froehlich, Ltd. and Mark Ostrowski, the Administrator for the Illinois Gaming Board, petitioned the CBA Board for the creation of the Gaming Law Committee. More, who was the first Chief Legal Counsel of the Illinois Gaming Board, said, "Illinois gaming now involves thousands of current and prospective businesses engaged in a highly competitive, multi-billion dollar industry that produces substantial economic impact and generates millions in revenue for State and local governments. So, in addition to supporting attorneys who practice in this area of law, we expect to become a key resource for entities representing public interests -- legislative, administrative,

regulatory -- that wish to address the legal, taxation, and public affairs implications of gaming's expansion in the State.”

McQueeney agreed saying, “Gaming is already in Chicago in many forms, including horseracing and the lottery. There are going to be video poker machines in bars and restaurants in the very near future and our new Mayor is making every effort to get casinos in our city.

“The goal is to provide our members with information from the public and private sectors to help them represent their clients, whether it is a Fortune 500 company or a third generation tavern owner. We look forward to working with our colleagues in the Bar and facilitating discussions over the broad spectrum of legal issues that is gaming law,” he added.

About the Chicago Bar Association

Founded in 1874, The Chicago Bar Association is one of the nation's leading metropolitan bar associations. It is governed by a Board of 23 Managers and Officers, and has 61 practice area committees, 18 service committees and 9 special committees. The CBA provides a wide variety of services to the legal profession, the state and federal courts and the public. For more information visit the CBA online at www.chicagobar.org.

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