

## 2018-2019 Bar Year Activities

# Section on Agricultural Law

### The Mission of the ISBA Agricultural Law Section:

To improve the knowledge and professional abilities of lawyers through continuing legal education programs, publications and other means. To engage in the practice of law as it relates to the business of agriculture; to review and research applicable laws and proposed legislation; to monitor developments in the various legal fields that are applicable to farming and agribusiness; to disseminate information about current developments in this area of the law, and in general to assist in the improvement of the practice of law in this area.

#### General:

- Section dues are \$30 per year.
- ◆ To join, go to <u>www.</u> isba.org/sections

## **Continuing Legal Education**

The Section sponsored the following program(s) during the year:

♦ 25th Annual Agriculture Law Seminar (02/01/19)

Section members also receive discounts on section-sponsored CLE programs.

## **Legislation**

The Agricultural Law Section Council reviews proposed legislation that may affect their members' practice area. Highlights of the most recent legislative session include:

- 1. Number of bills reviewed: 53
- 2. Significant legislation:
  - a. HB 3677 Uniform Partition of Heirs Act
  - b. HB 2839 Right to judicial review.
  - c. SB 1179 County regulation of land used for animal husbandry

#### ISBA Central

 Members of the ISBA section get free access to the section's community on ISBA Central. The ISBA Central community allows section members to pose questions, answer questions, and share information with fellow section members from around the state.

#### **Newsletters**

During the 2018-19 bar year, the Section published 7 newsletters. Articles included:

- Purchase money security interest and equipment purchases (Sept. 2018)
- ◆ The tariffs and agriculture (Sept. 2018)
- ◆ Lack of spouse's signature: A problem for perfection? (Oct. 2018)
- ◆ What are the rules of the road for farm vehicles? (Dec. 2018)
- Disclaiming implied warranties (Dec. 2018)
- ◆ IRS provides tax inflation adjustments for tax year 2019 (Dec. 2018)
- ◆ Buyer's premiums and bankruptcy auctions (Dec. 2018)
- ◆ Agriculture: The number one industry in Illinois (Dec. 2018)
- ◆ Farm leasing: More complex than ever? (Jan. 2019)
- Chapter 12 bankruptcy and the tools-of-the-trade exemption (Jan. 2019)
- ◆ What is the valuation standard for valuation of a minority interest in an Illinois LLC? (Jan. 2019)
- ◆ Editor's note (Mar. 2019)
- ◆ IRS 2019 farm tax return due date extended (Mar. 2019)
- ◆ Non-dischargeable debts in bankruptcy (Apr. 2019)
- ◆ Is the reference in a financing statement to a security agreement sufficient? (June 2019)
- ◆ The need for a roundup on Roundup? (June 2019)