



Section on Traffic Laws & Courts

The Mission of the ISBA Traffic Laws & Courts Section:

To promote professional excellence among judges, prosecutors, defense counsel and administrative officials in all phases of traffic court and motor vehicle proceedings, through the presentation of continuing legal education programs, promoting conferences highlighting developments in the law and the publication of an informational newsletter; to review proposed legislation and recommend new legislative initiatives; and to advocate administrative and procedural regulations as they relate to the administration of Illinois' vehicle codes or similar local traffic provisions.

General:

- ◆ Section fees are \$25 per year.
- ◆ To join, go to www.isba.org/sections

Continuing Legal Education

The Section sponsored or co-sponsored three programs during the year:

- ◆ **2016 Traffic Case Law & Legislative Update: Changes That Affect Your Practice & Clients (Dec. 14, 2016)**
- ◆ **DUI & Traffic Law Updates – Spring 2017 (April 7, 2017)**

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

Newsletters

Delivered electronically unless otherwise requested. During 2016-17 the Section published four newsletters. Articles include:

- ◆ Appellate court affirms trial court's suppression of PBT results and no probable cause for DUI arrest: *People v. Taylor*, 2016 IL App (2d) 150634 (Dec 2016)
- ◆ Appellate court reverses trial court's findings of no jurisdiction for the police officer to arrest defendant—*People v. Reynolds*, 2016 IL App (4th) 150572 (Oct. 2016)
- ◆ Consent and the PBT (Dec. 2016)
- ◆ Dude, where's my license? Welcome changes in Illinois DUI law (Dec. 2016)
- ◆ Failure to comply with Illinois Supreme Court Rule 552's 48-hour requirement: What is the proper remedy? (Oct. 2016)
- ◆ *Guillermo, Brantley*, and appellate court conflicts: What's a lawyer to do? (May 2017)
- ◆ Illinois Supreme Court rules a third DUI is a Class 2 felony (May 2017)
- ◆ Improper lane usage: What you need to know to prepare a defense (May 2017)
- ◆ Litigating *Kladis* (Oct. 2016)
- ◆ *People v. Gocmen*: Some advanced DUI drug training required (May 2017)
- ◆ Secretary of State administrative code changes 2016 (July 2016)

Legislation

The 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: 61
2. Significant legislation:
 - a. House Bill 221 - Vehicle Code-Report Supervision
 - b. House Bill 2885 - Vehicle Code-Mandatory Alcohol Tests

Other

- ◆ The ISBA Criminal-DUI-Traffic Discussion List allows section members to pose questions and share information with fellow section members from around the state.