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During this past year, the Gaming Law Section (GLS) has stayed busy. Last November, the GLS hosted the *2010 Gaming Law Conference* that included keynote lunch speaker Jon Ralston of the *Las Vegas Sun* and TV's *Face to Face*. The conference also featured panels on bankruptcies in the gaming industry and Internet gaming with Congressman John Campbell (R-CA, 48<sup>th</sup> District).

The *2011 Gaming Law Conference* will be held on Friday, November 4<sup>th</sup> at the Gold Coast Hotel and Casino in Las Vegas. This year's keynote luncheon speaker will be Governor Brian Sandoval and will feature panels on local licensing issues, compliance programs, 2 hours of ethics with Sean Carter, Humorist at Law, as well as a roundtable discussion with Nevada Gaming Commission Chairman Peter C. Bernhard and Nevada Gaming Control Board Chairman Mark A. Lipparelli. The registration form is available inside the back cover of this issue and online at <http://www.nvbar.org/cle/livecle.htm>. The conference will again be sponsored in part by LexisNexis, who will be raffling off a prize for those in attendance.

On May 6<sup>th</sup> of this year, the GLS held its *11<sup>th</sup> Annual Law Scholarship Golf Tournament* at the Las Vegas National Golf Club. This year's event was so successful that new sponsorships had to be created to accommodate the interest. The tournament also drew a sellout of 144 golfers, which raised a record amount of \$55,000 for the "Gaming Law Section Scholarship"

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at the William S. Boyd School of Law-UNLV. In its 11-year run, the tournament has drawn nearly 1,500 golfers and raised \$333,850 in scholarship money to help 66 future Nevada lawyers meet their goals.

The Executive Committee is considering various options for the future of the golf tournament, including converting it to a non-charitable GLS social event that would take less time and effort to organize annually. Future announcements about next year's tournament should be coming later this year.

If you are interested in writing an article or an item of interest or placing an advertisement in next year's *Nevada Gaming Lawyer*, please contact co-editors, Greg Giordano or Sean McGuinness. If you would like to organize a panel or speak at the *2012 Gaming Law Conference* or assist with next year's golf tournament, do not hesitate to contact me or Lori Wolk, Programs and Services Coordinator for the State Bar of Nevada.

On behalf of the GLS Executive Committee, we hope that you find this year's issue of the *Nevada Gaming Lawyer* useful and enjoyable. [NGL](#)



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