

from the editor

IN THE DOG DAYS OF SUMMER, time seems to pass more slowly—for better and for worse. Burnout may be an occupational hazard for lawyers, but the hot months may see more than their share of soul-searching.

Until you are able to move full-time into a casita in the Bahamas, you may be seeking ways to heighten your sense of fulfillment in practice—beyond merely gazing out the window into the middle distance.

This month, we feature an article describing steps that may help you avoid the path to burnout. In it, the author examines some disciplines to enhance well-being. As an instructor, he points to the work of Steven Keeva, a senior editor at the ABA Journal. Are these disciplines an antidote to burnout and boredom? Let me know what you think.

Also featured this month is an article on the effective defense of high-level corporate officials. Whichever side of the aisle on which you might work, the article provides detailed and valuable guidelines on the apex official and the discovery process.

Finally, the State Bar has a new President in Nicholas Wallwork. Read inside about his goals for the Bar and for the practice of law. He says that his focus will be on listening to members and on nurturing the core values that make the law an esteemed profession. As in our cover story, Wallwork seeks to remind lawyers of the privilege and responsibility they share by acting as counselors to others. He is a man who remains energized by law practice whatever the temperature.



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